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THE HEDGEHOG

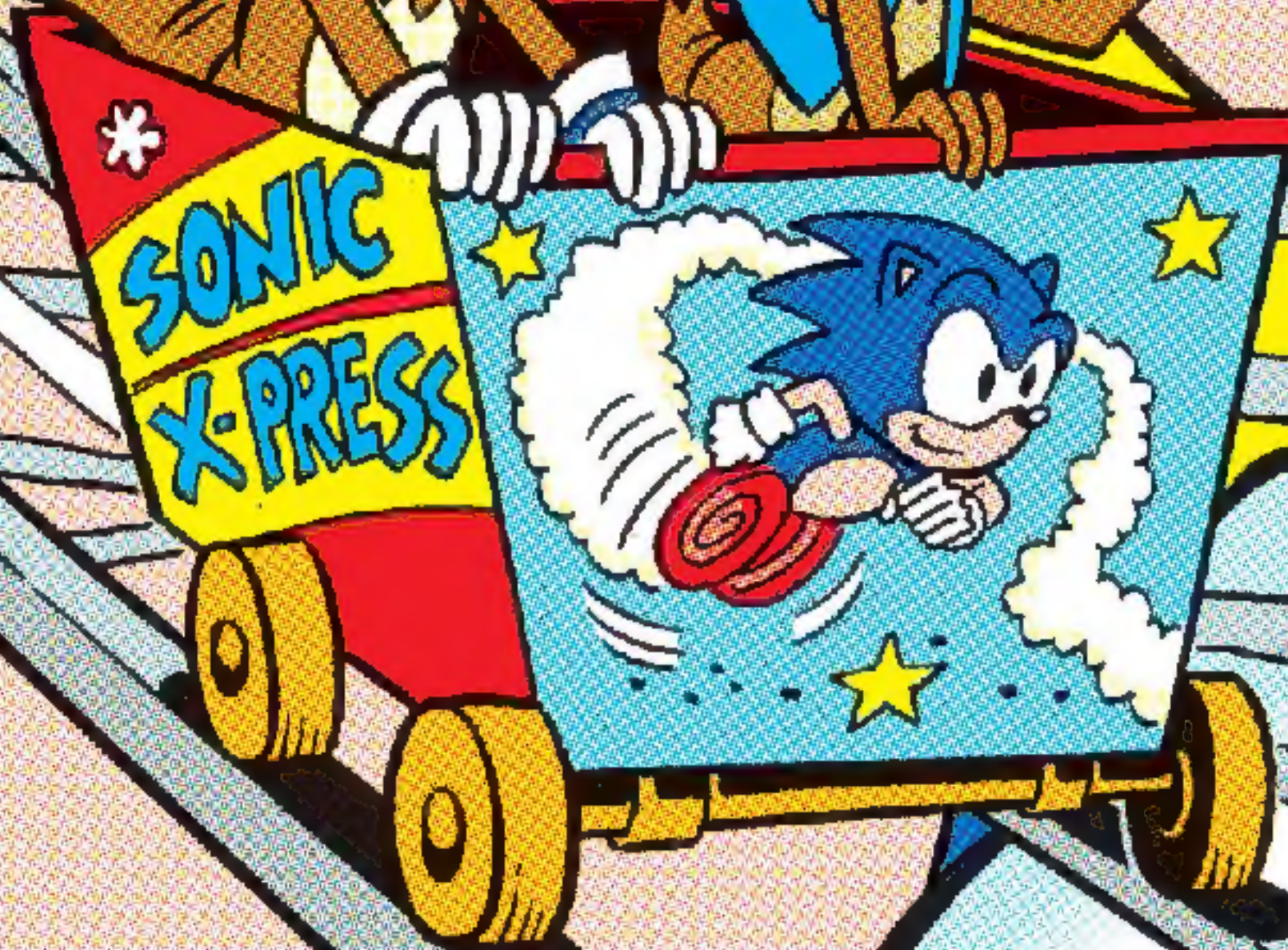
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IN YOUR FACE!



I'VE ALWAYS
SAID SONIC HAS
A *BIG MOUTH*--
BUT THAT'S
RIDICULOUS!

MANAK & DiGOSTINO



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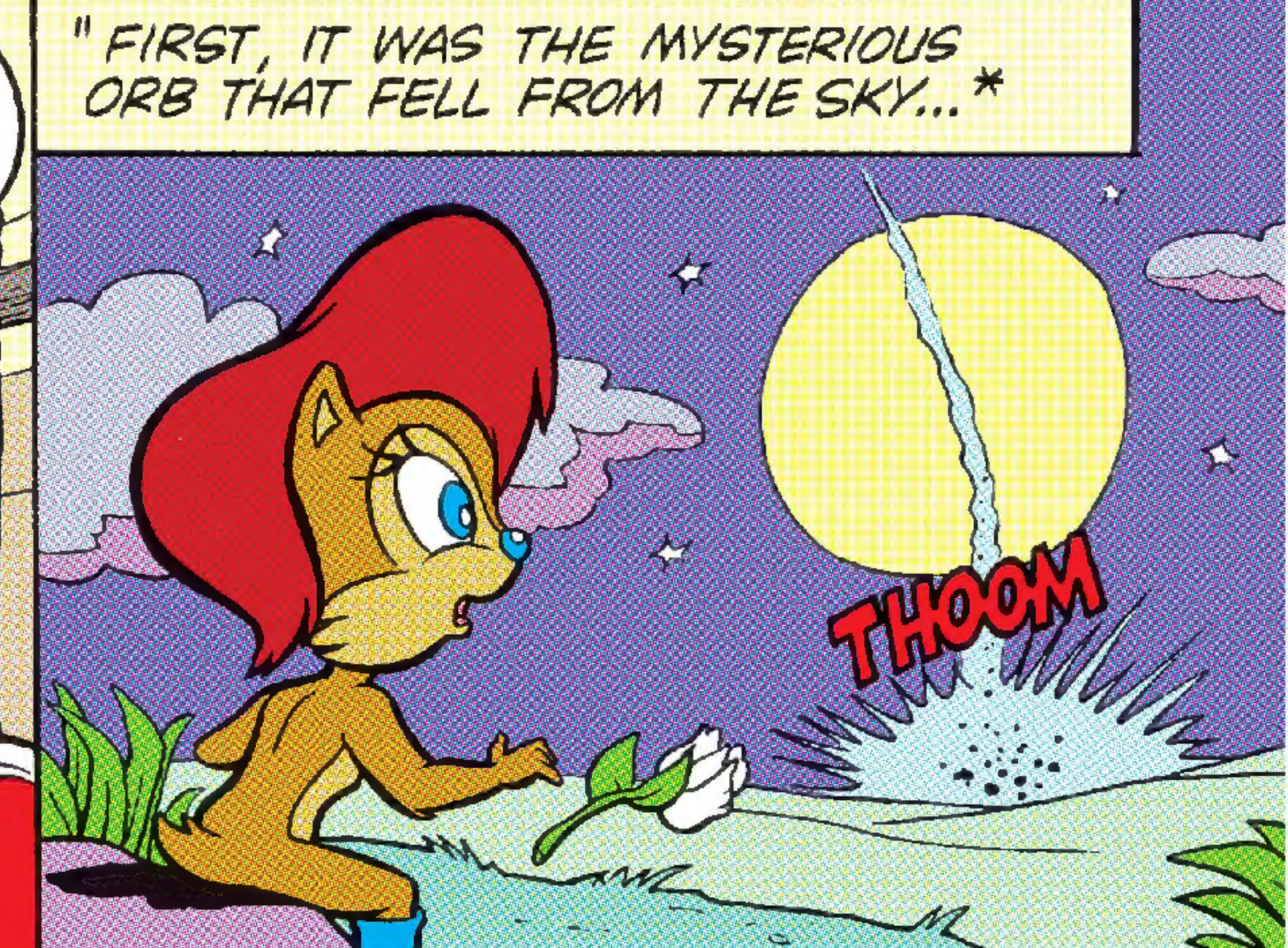
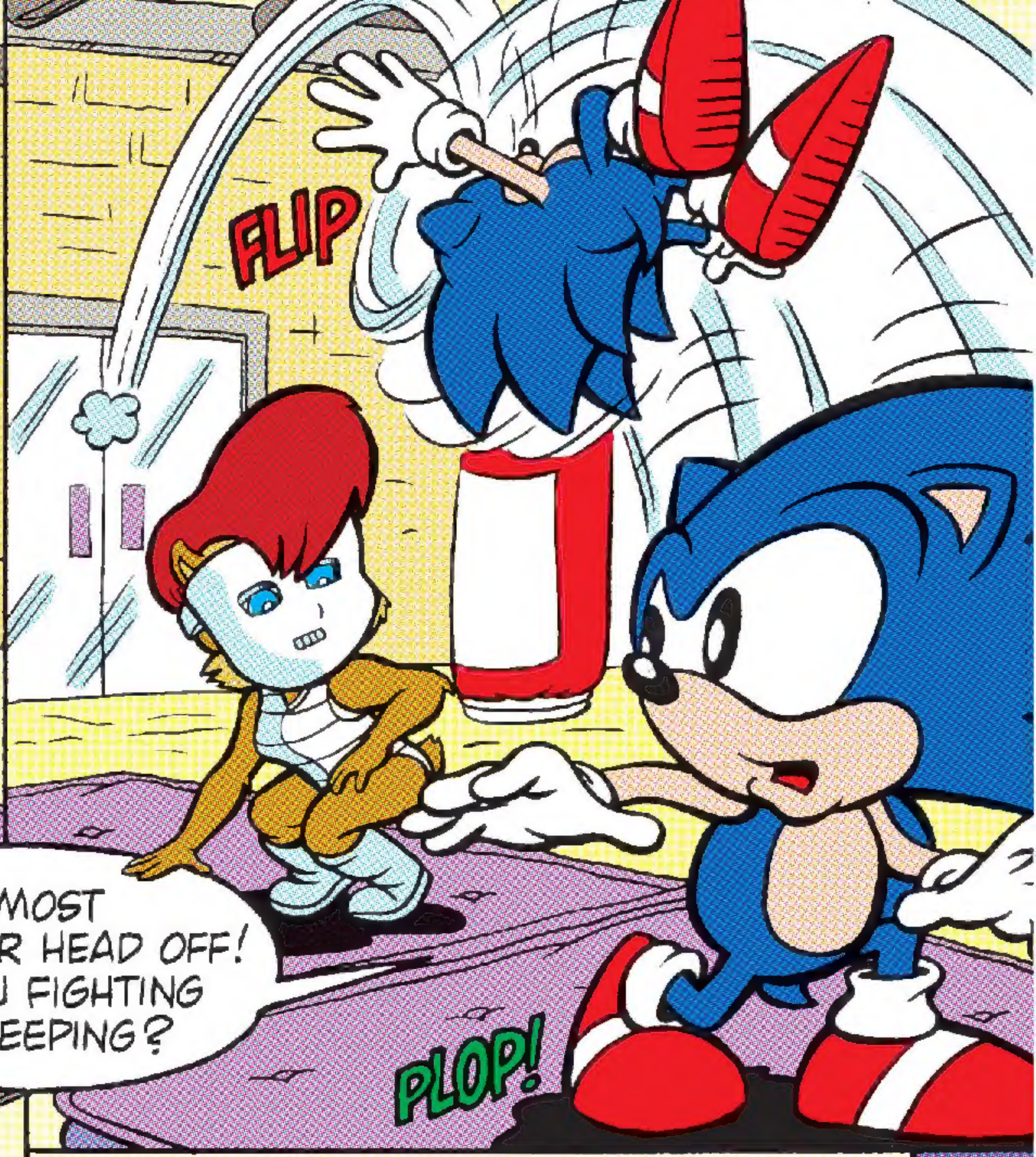
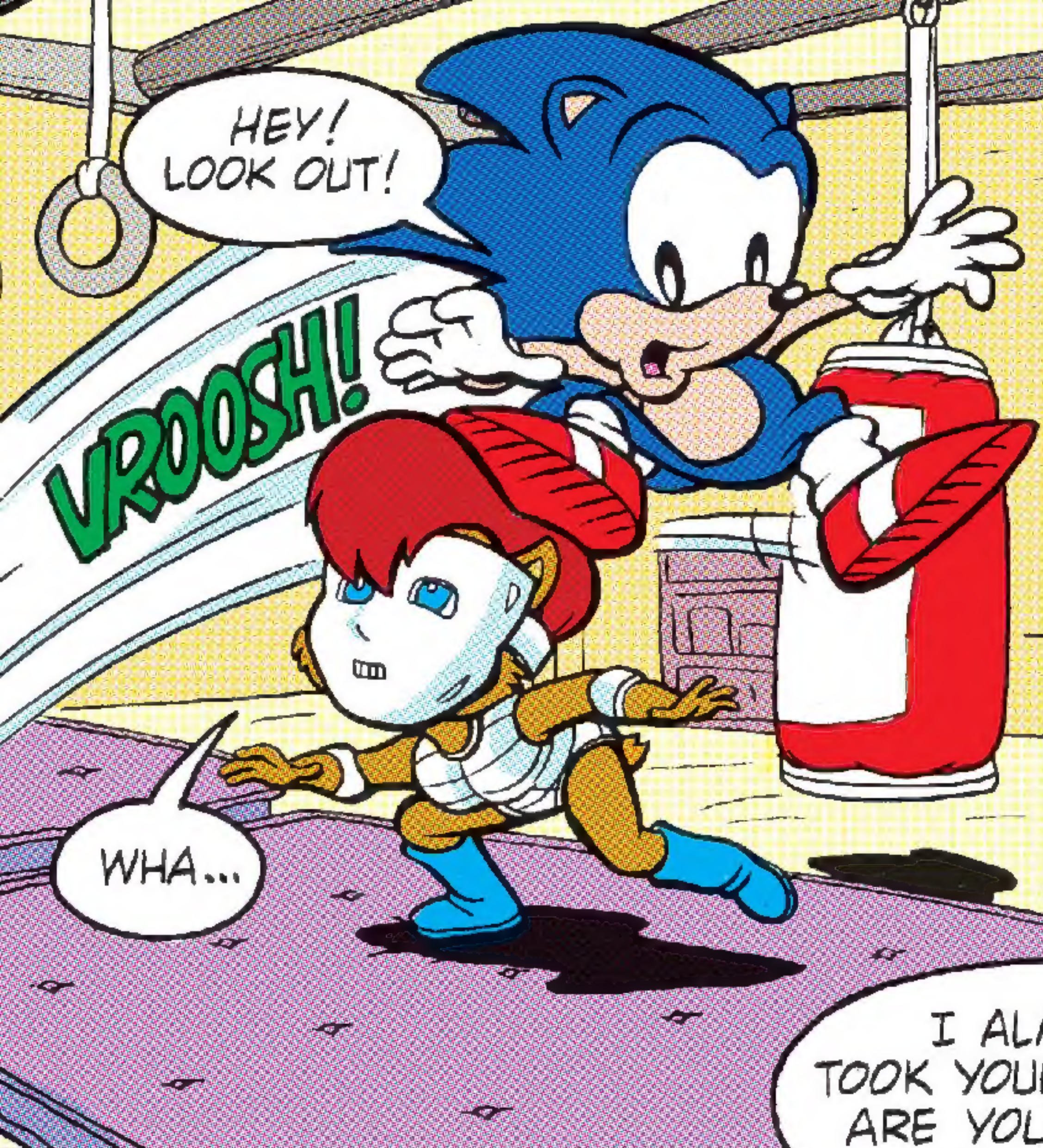
HEADS UP,
INTRUDER! I'M
SPRINGING
AHEAD...

SPRONG!

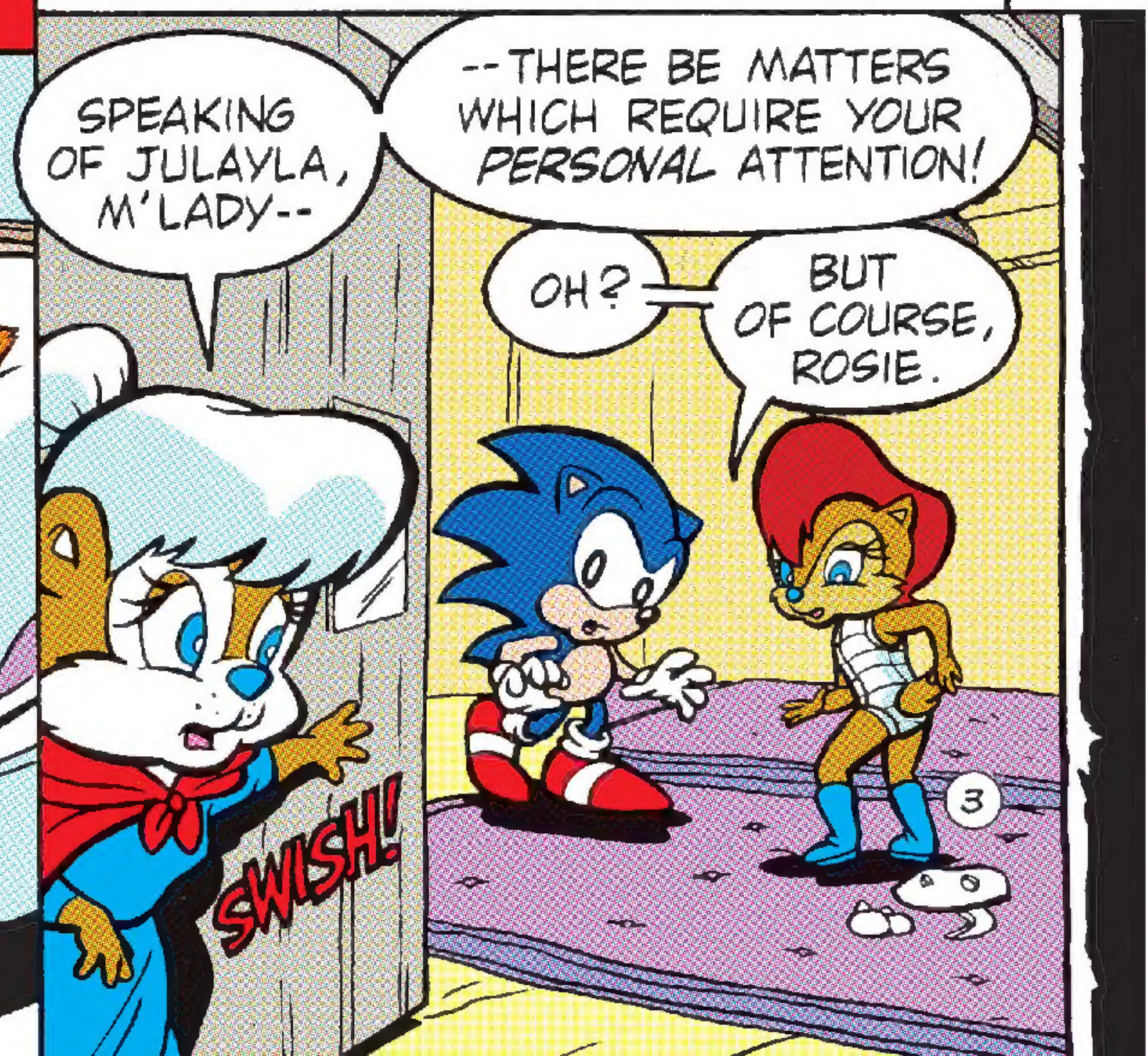
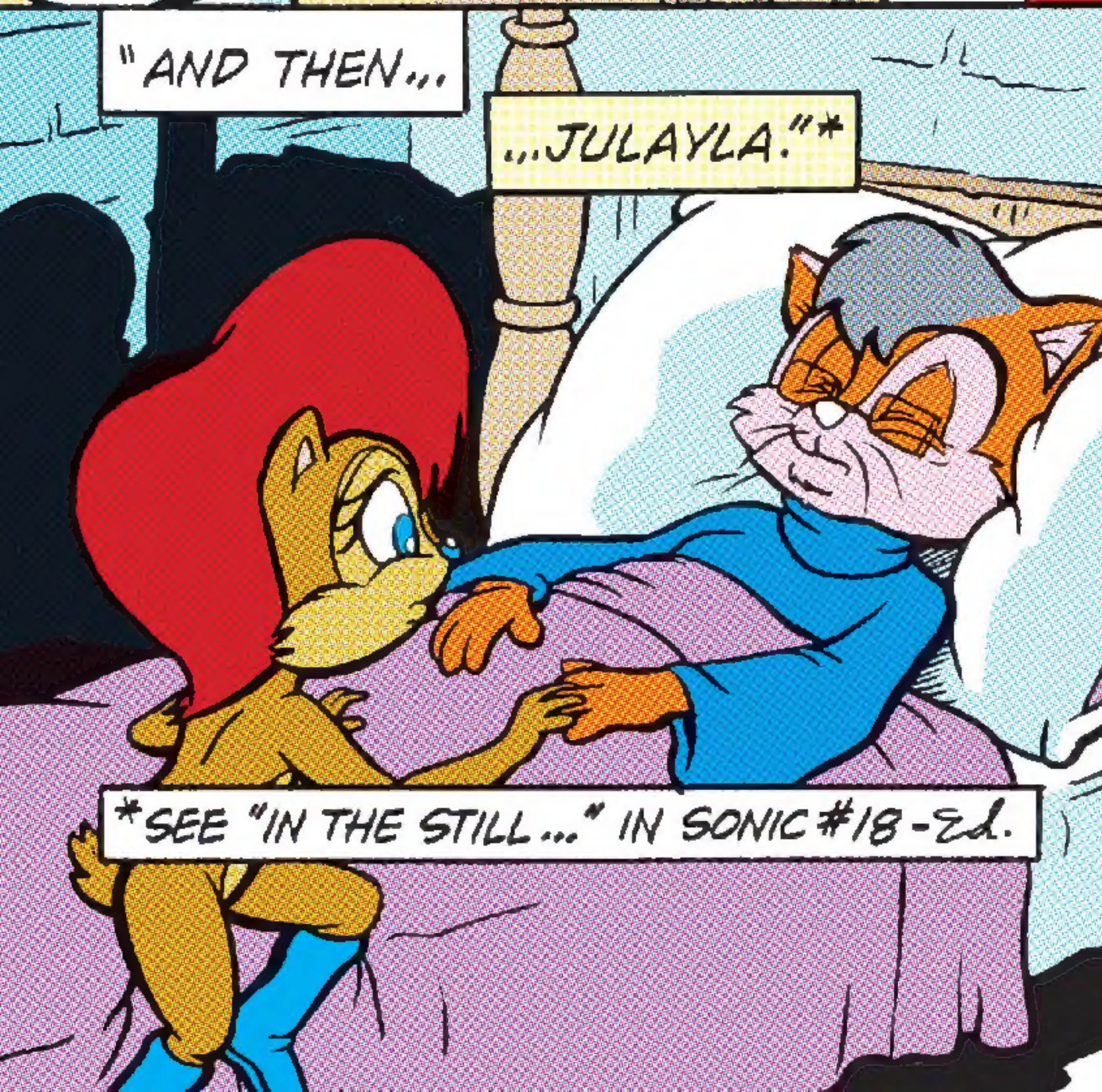
...AND YOU'RE
GOING TO BE FALLING
BACKWARD!

THE
Quest

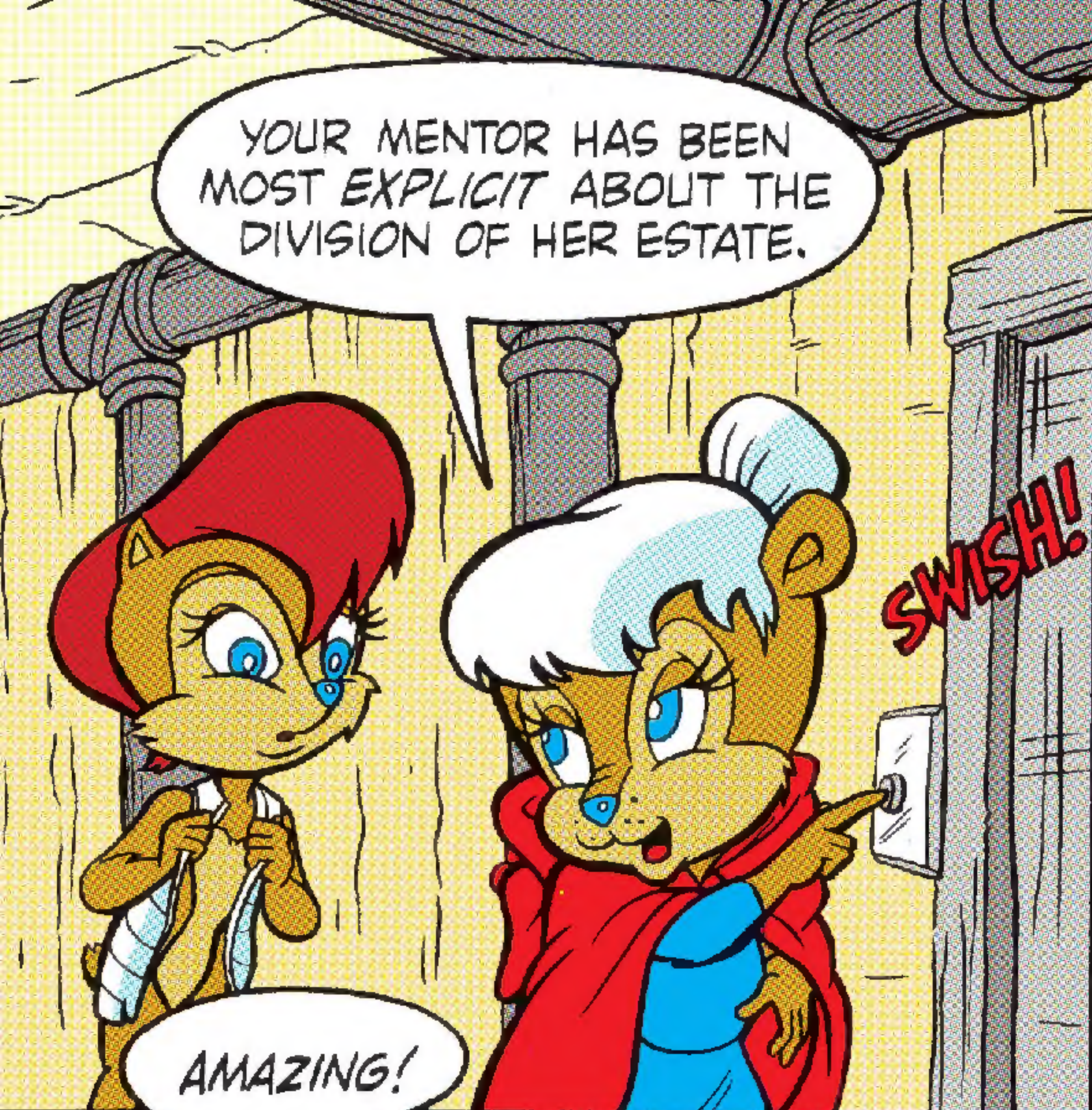
PRINCESS SALLY'S CRUSADE: CONCLUSION!



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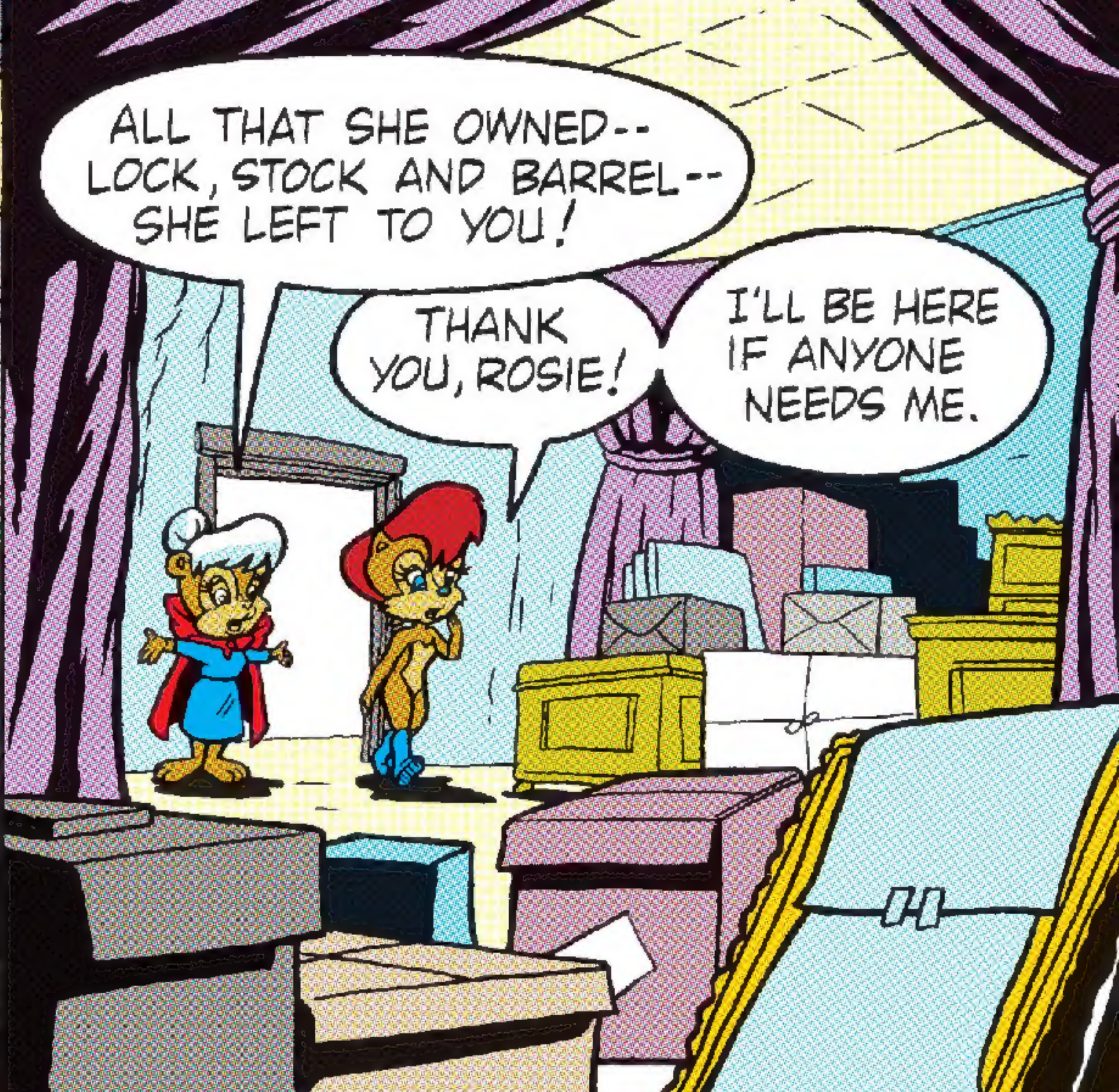


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YOUR MENTOR HAS BEEN MOST EXPLICIT ABOUT THE DIVISION OF HER ESTATE.

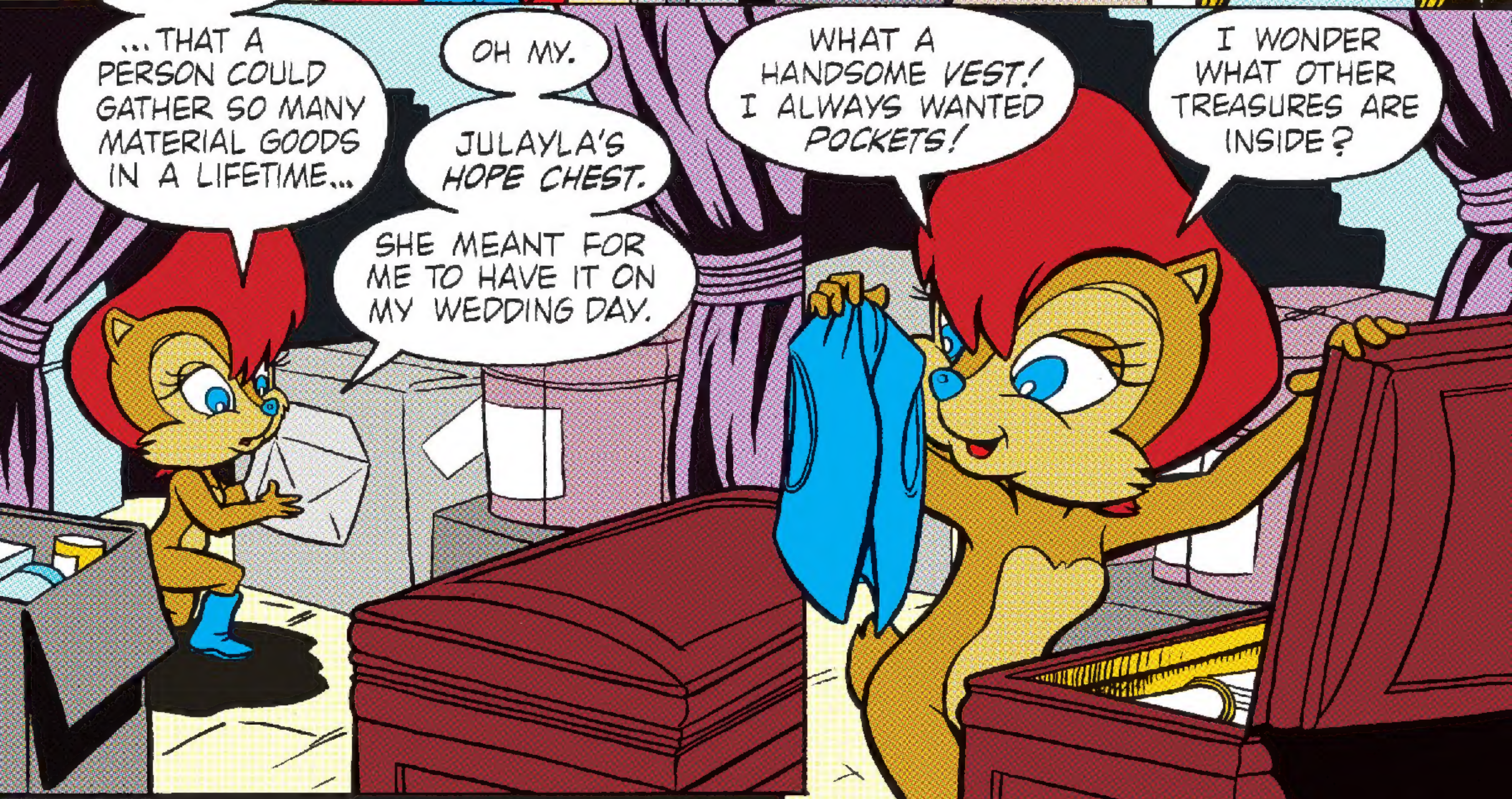
AMAZING!



ALL THAT SHE OWNED-- LOCK, STOCK AND BARREL-- SHE LEFT TO YOU!

THANK YOU, ROSIE!

I'LL BE HERE IF ANYONE NEEDS ME.



...THAT A PERSON COULD GATHER SO MANY MATERIAL GOODS IN A LIFETIME...

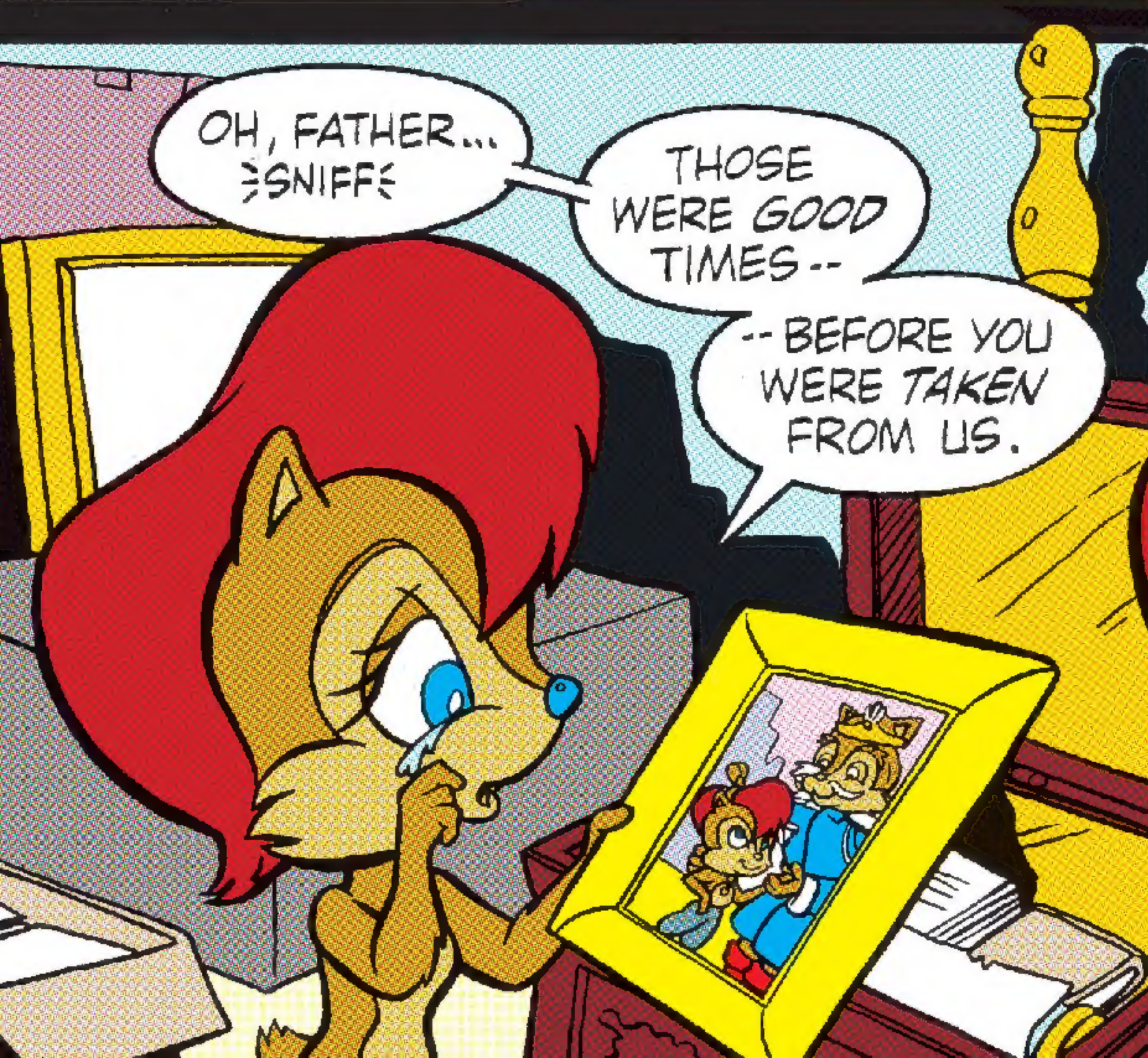
OH MY.

JULAYLA'S HOPE CHEST.

SHE MEANT FOR ME TO HAVE IT ON MY WEDDING DAY.

WHAT A HANDSOME VEST! I ALWAYS WANTED POCKETS!

I WONDER WHAT OTHER TREASURES ARE INSIDE?



OH, FATHER... ~~SNIFF~~

THOSE WERE GOOD TIMES --

-- BEFORE YOU WERE TAKEN FROM US.



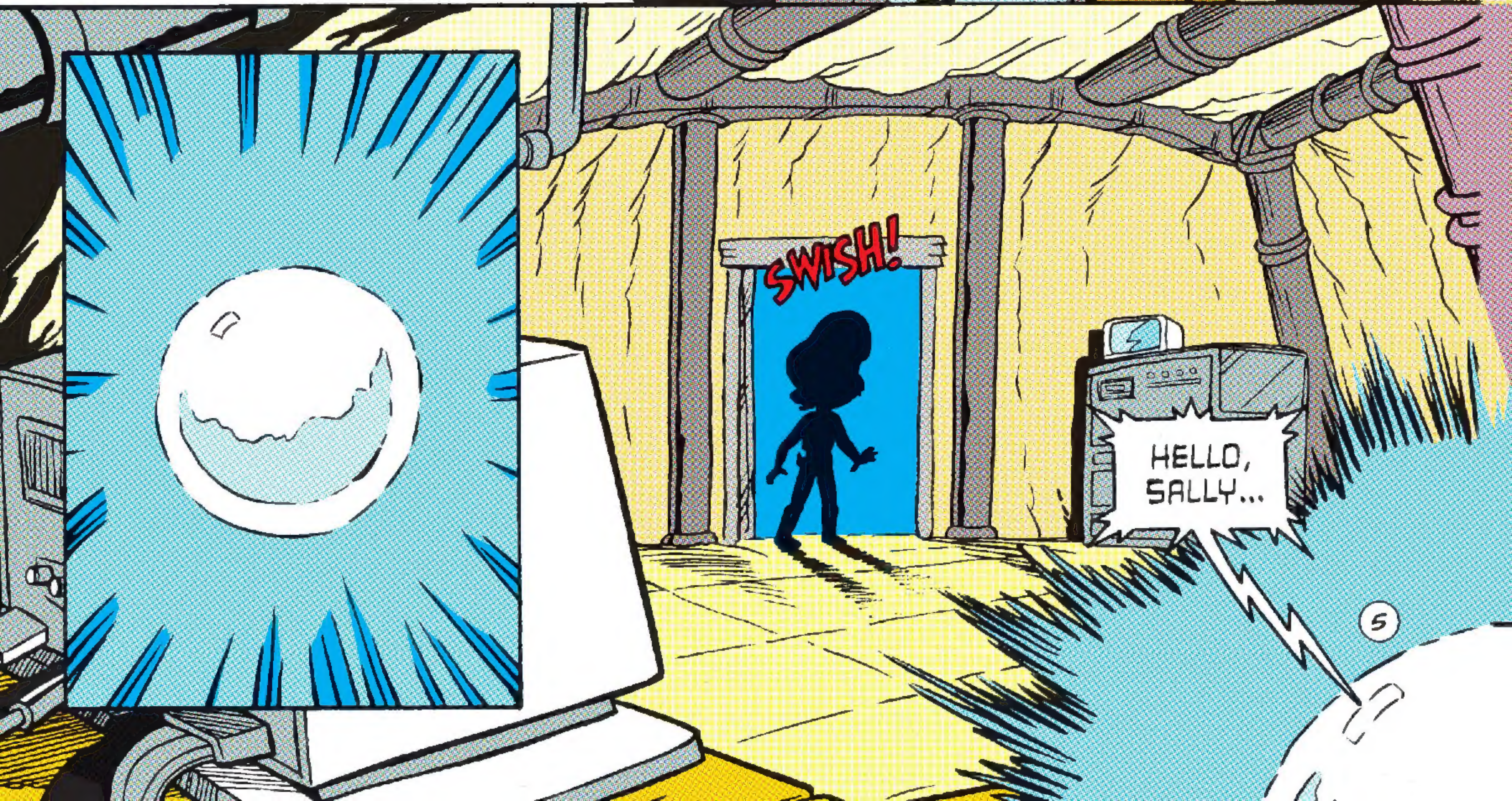
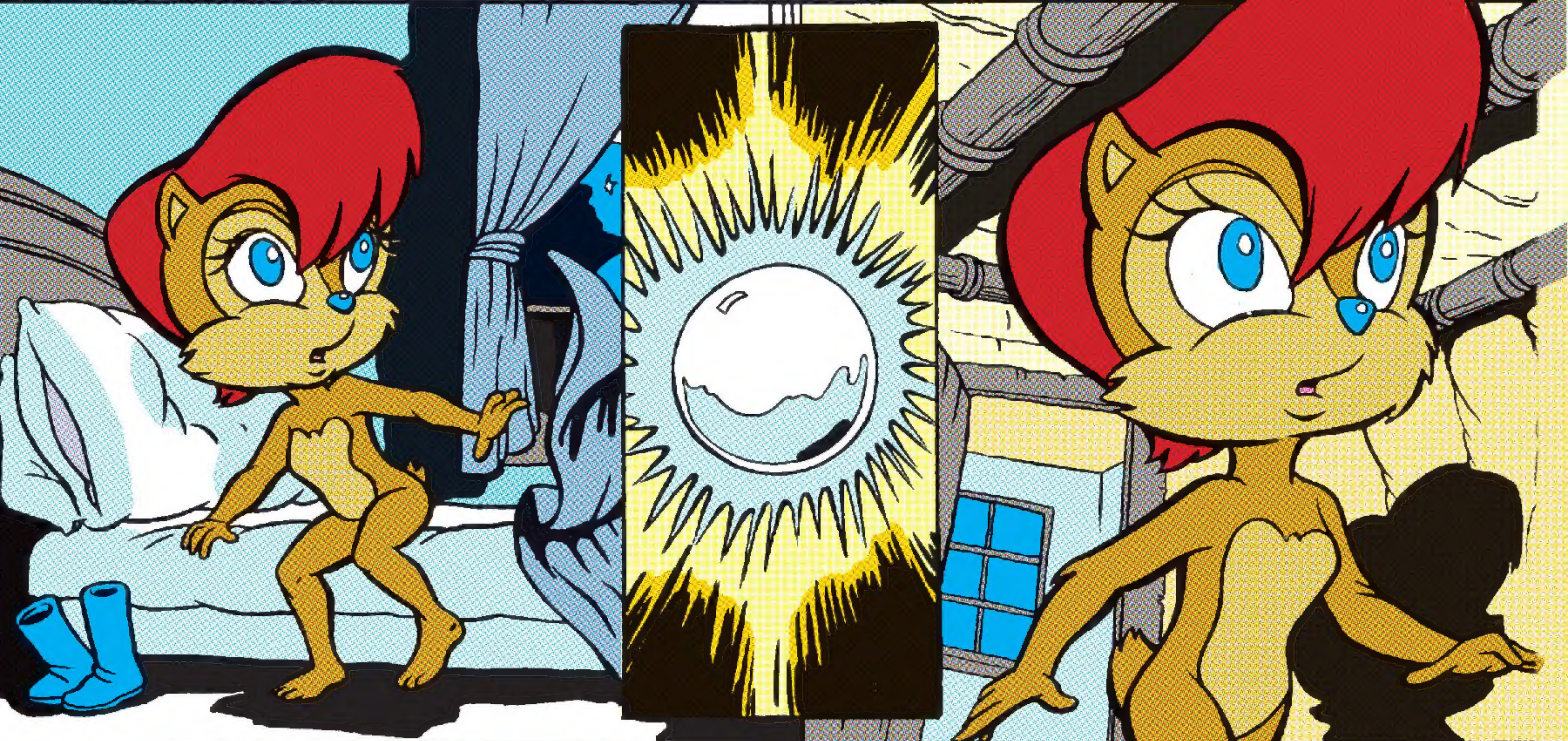
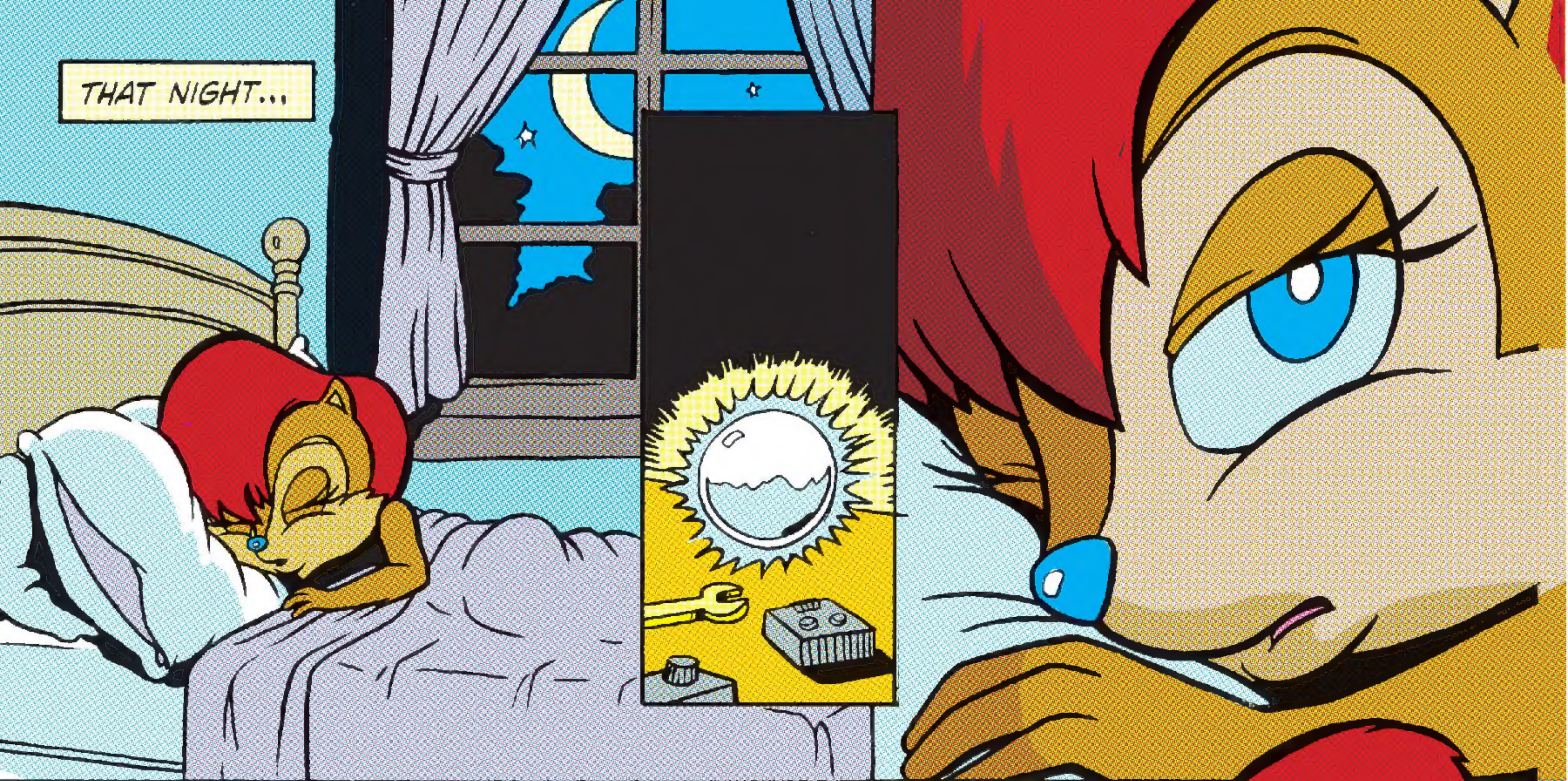
A MAP.

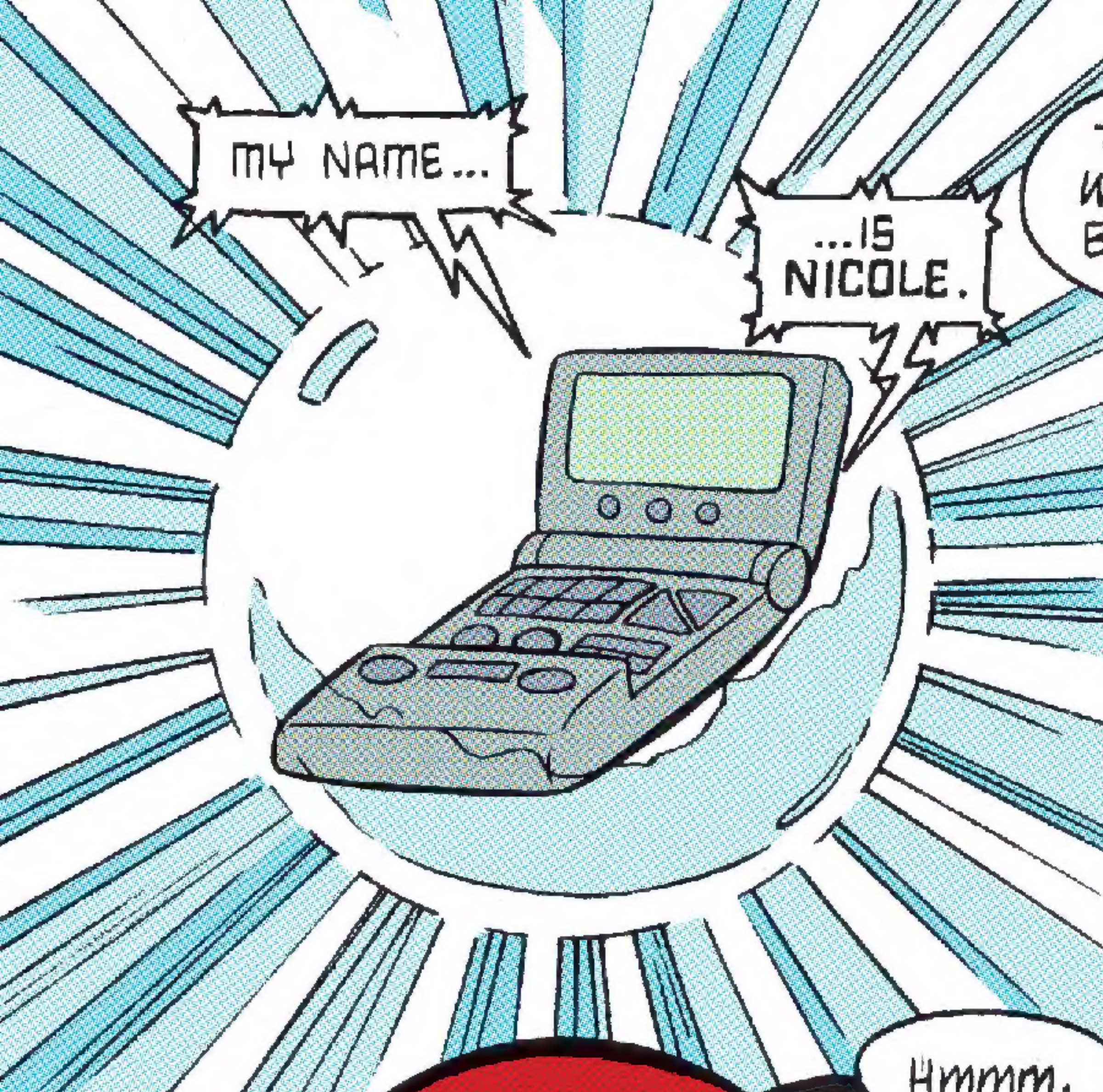
WITH INSTRUCTIONS TO BE FOLLOWED IF ... IF ...

THIS IS ALL TOO MUCH FOR ONE DAY!

I'LL FINISH TOMORROW!

THAT NIGHT...





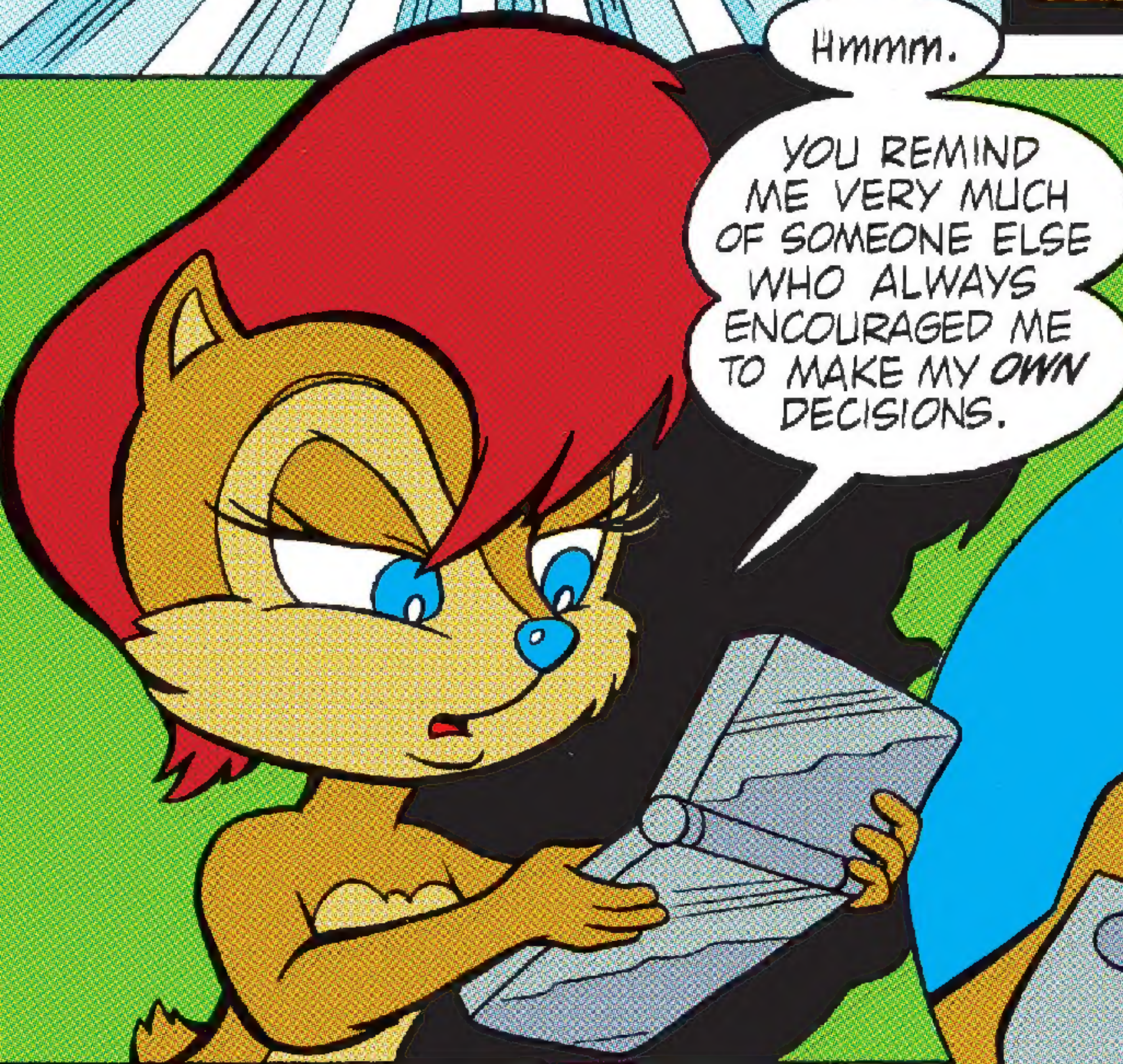
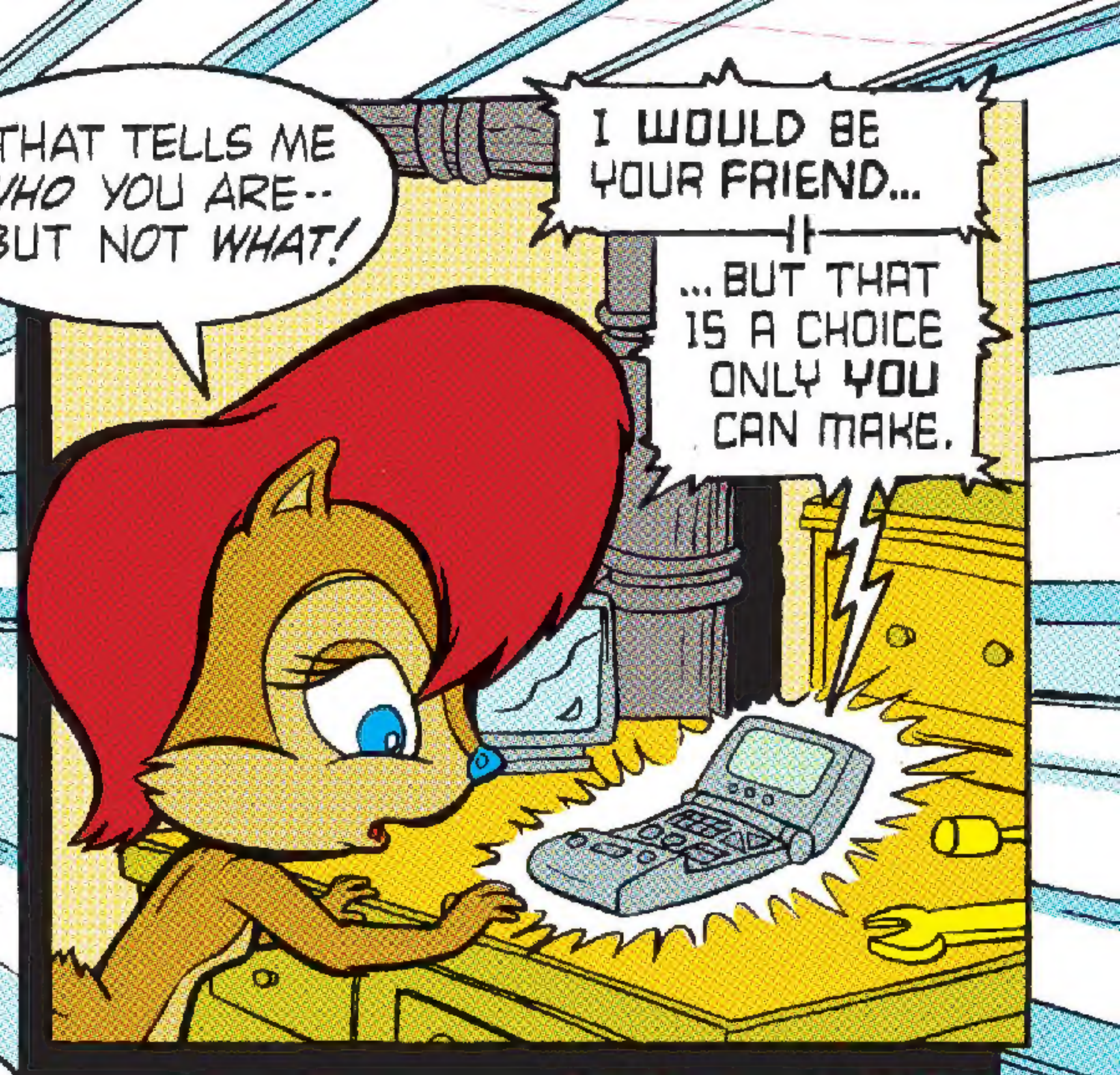
MY NAME...

...IS NICOLE.

THAT TELLS ME WHO YOU ARE-- BUT NOT WHAT!

I WOULD BE YOUR FRIEND...

...BUT THAT IS A CHOICE ONLY YOU CAN MAKE.

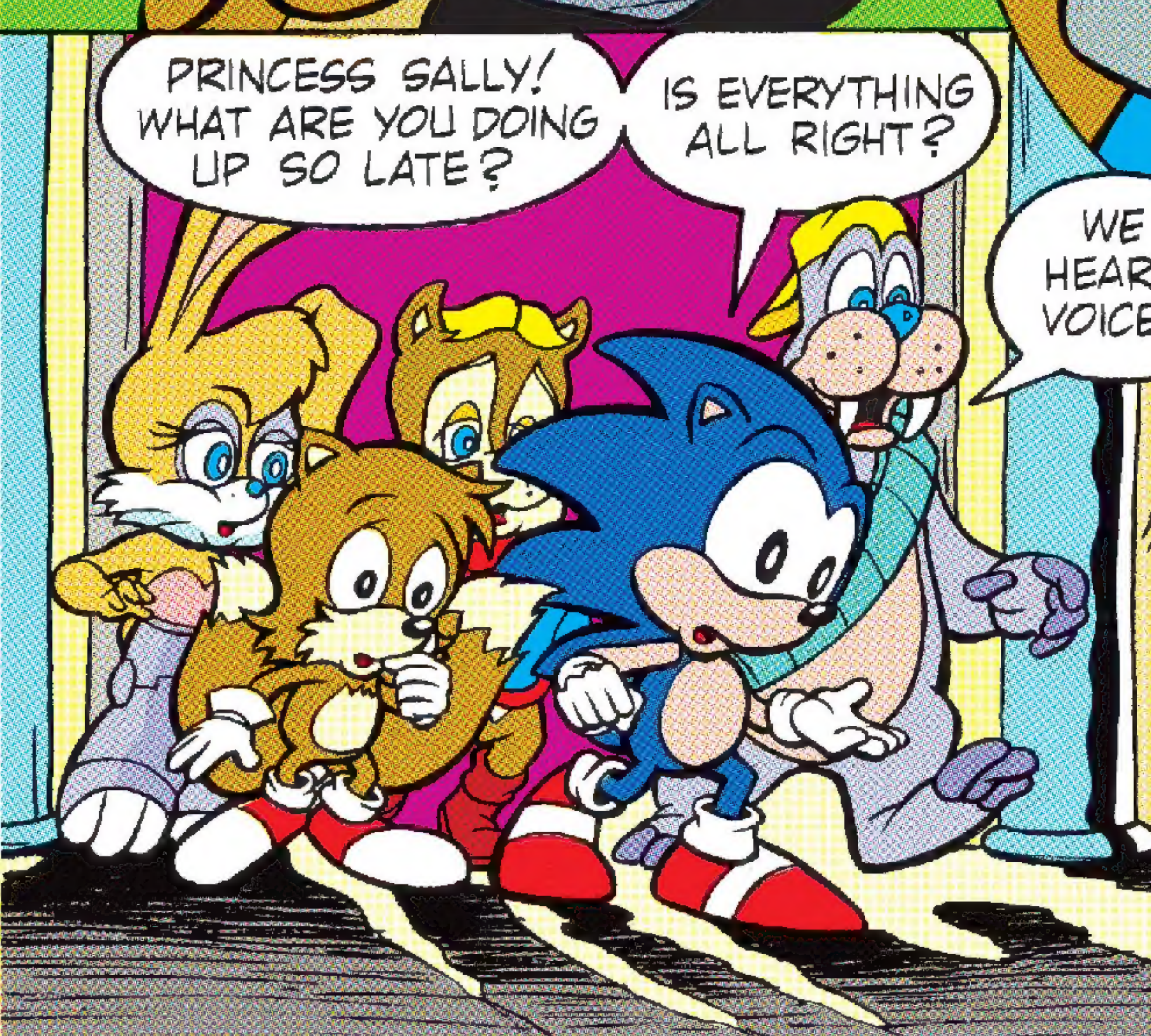
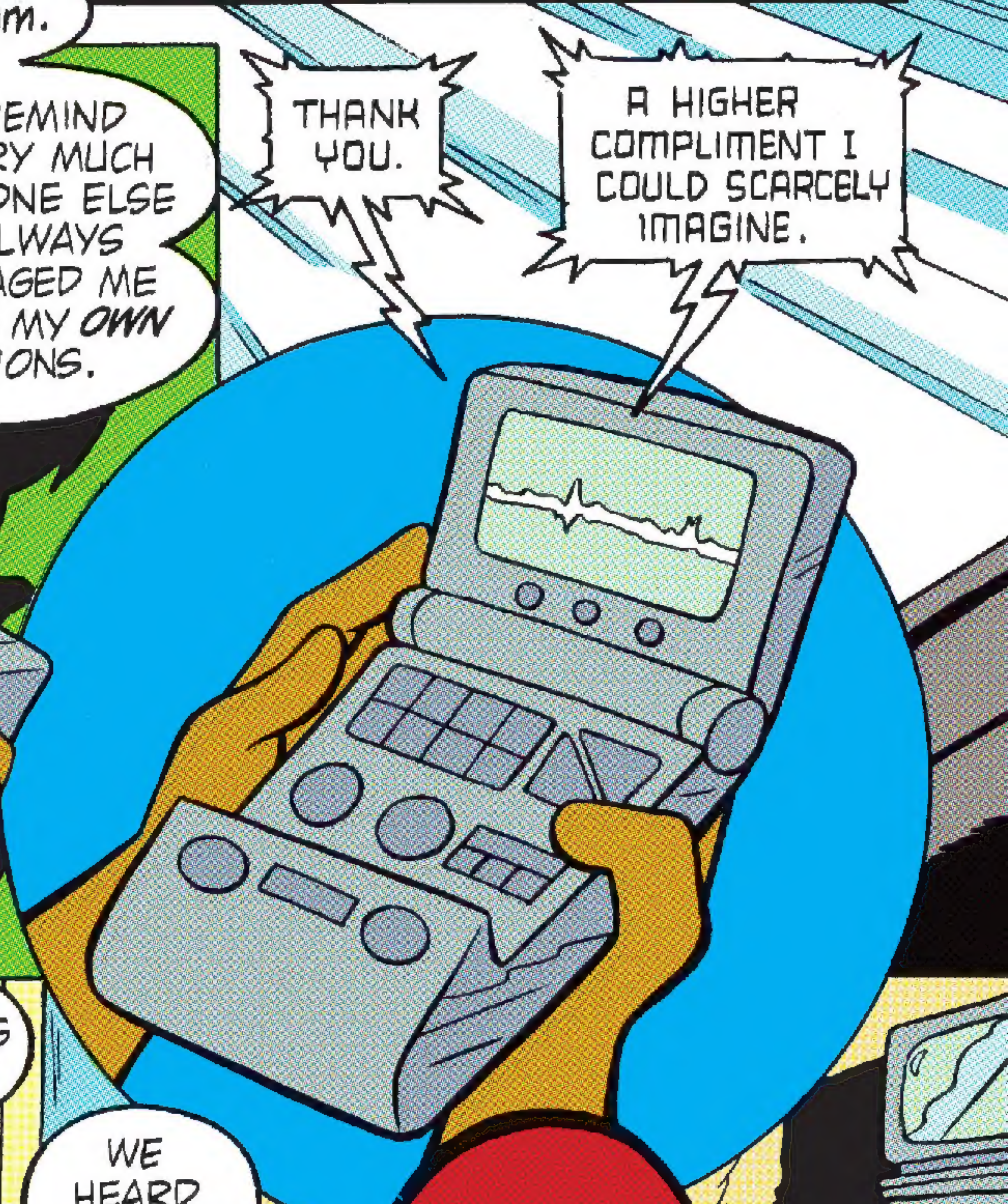


Hmmm.

YOU REMIND ME VERY MUCH OF SOMEONE ELSE WHO ALWAYS ENCOURAGED ME TO MAKE MY OWN DECISIONS.

THANK YOU.

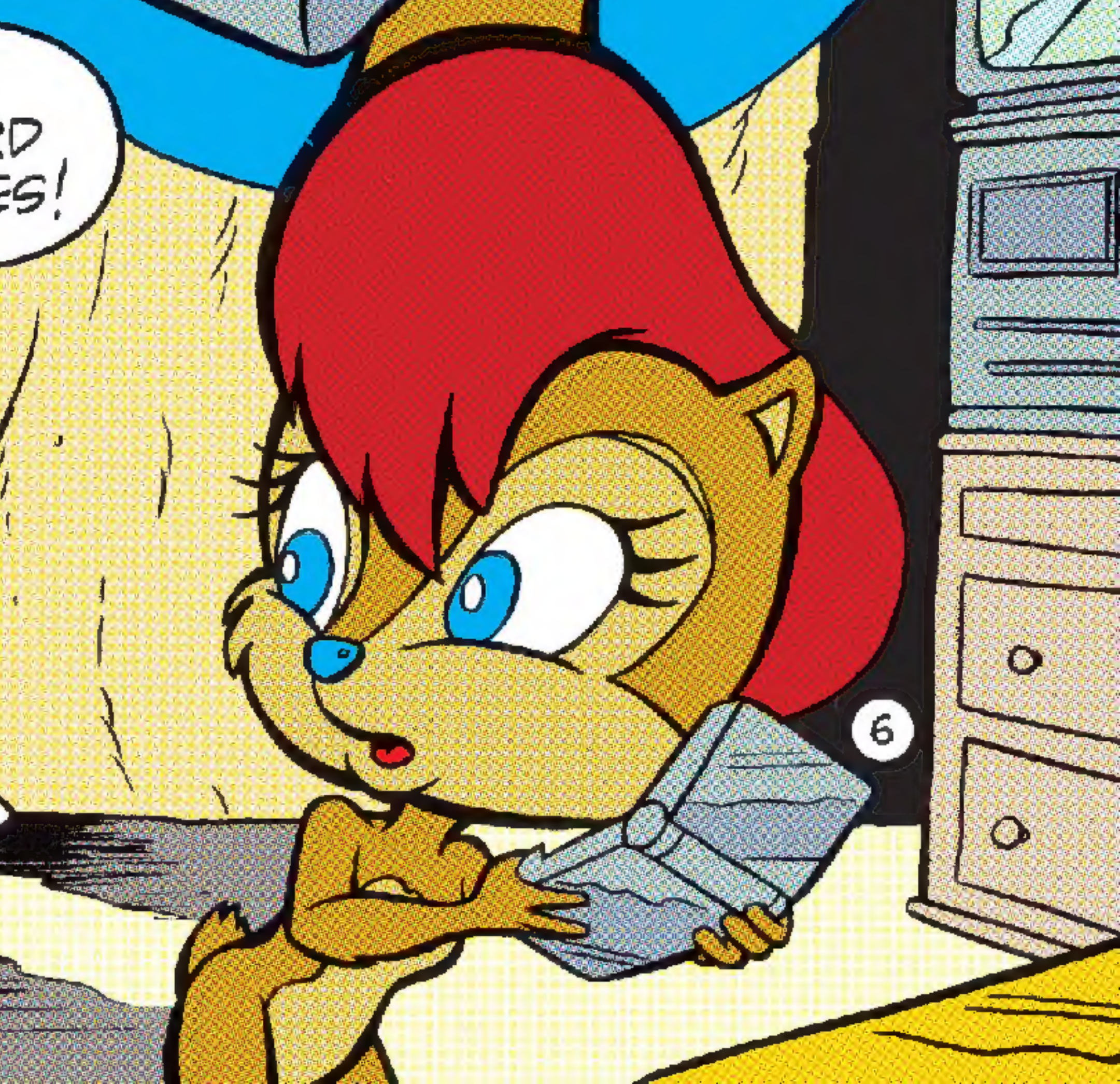
A HIGHER COMPLIMENT I COULD SCARCELY IMAGINE.

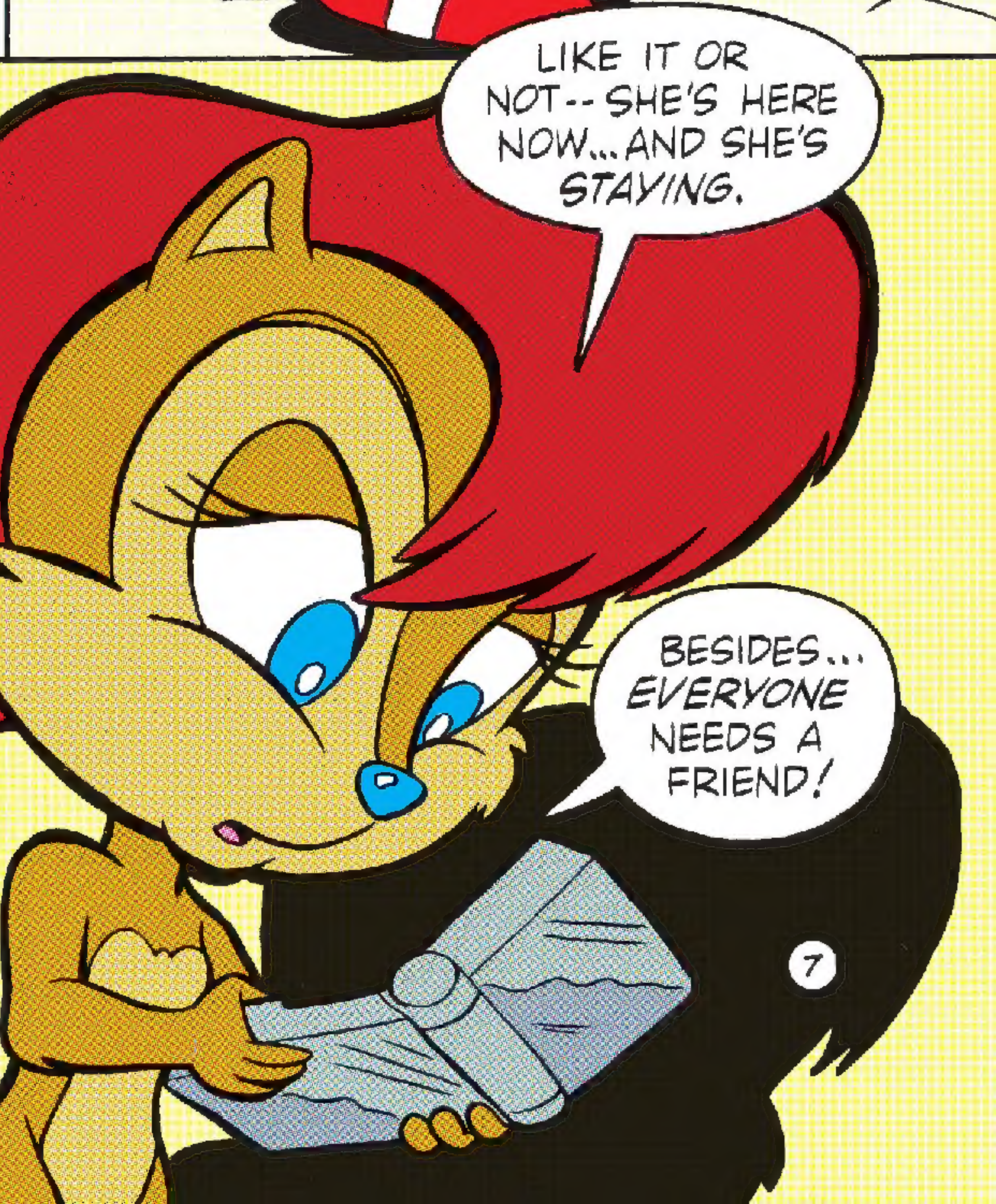
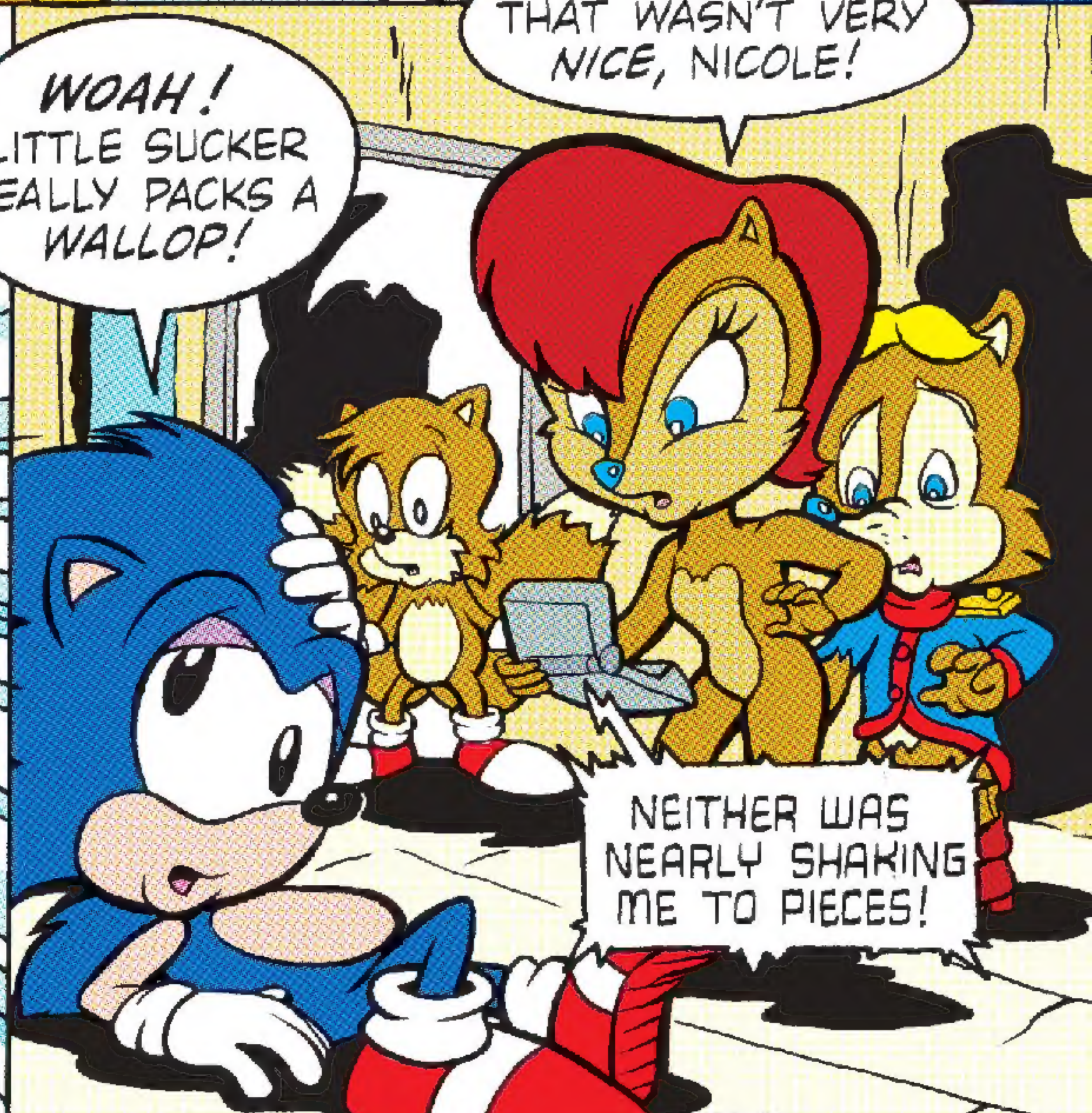
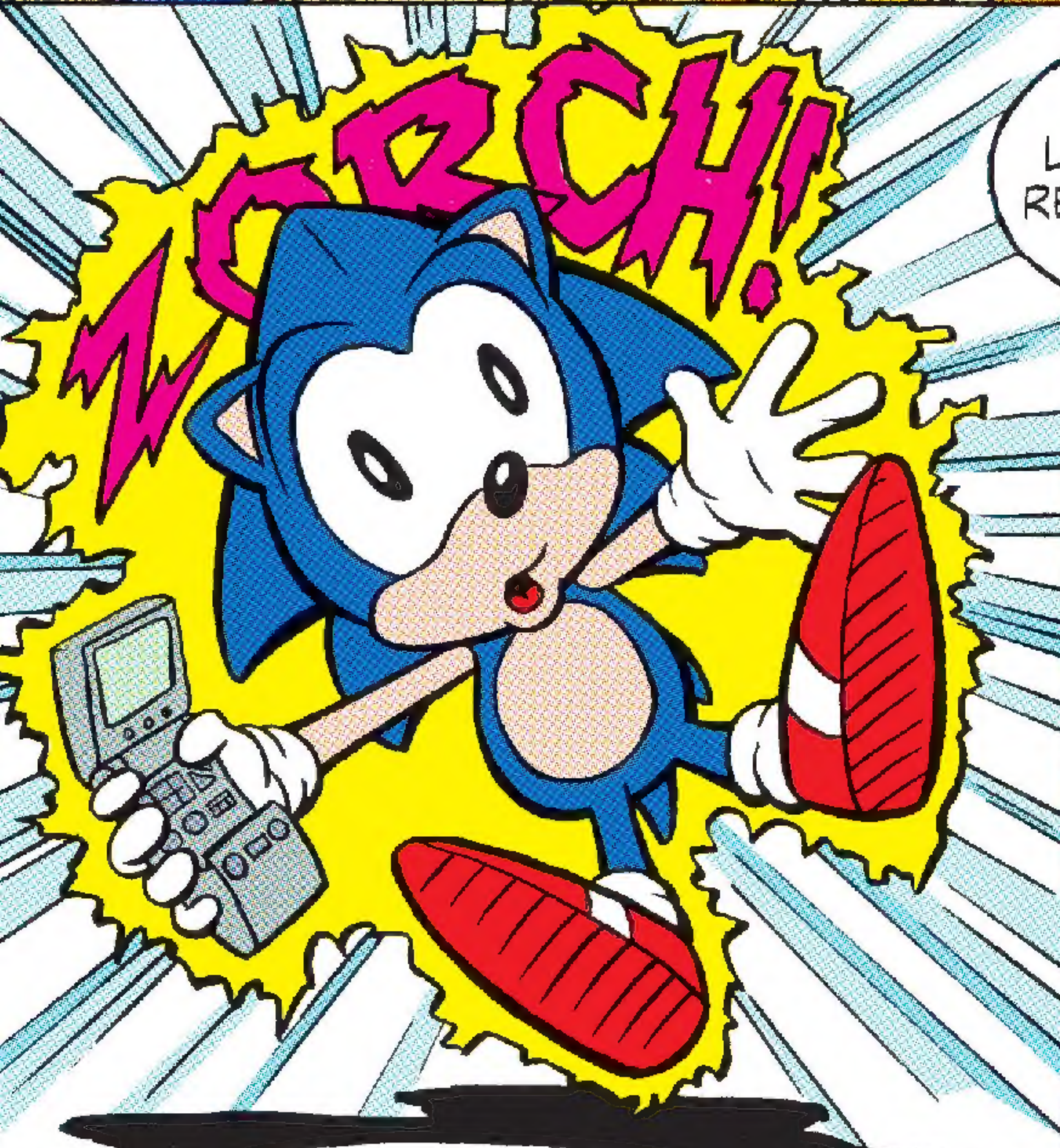
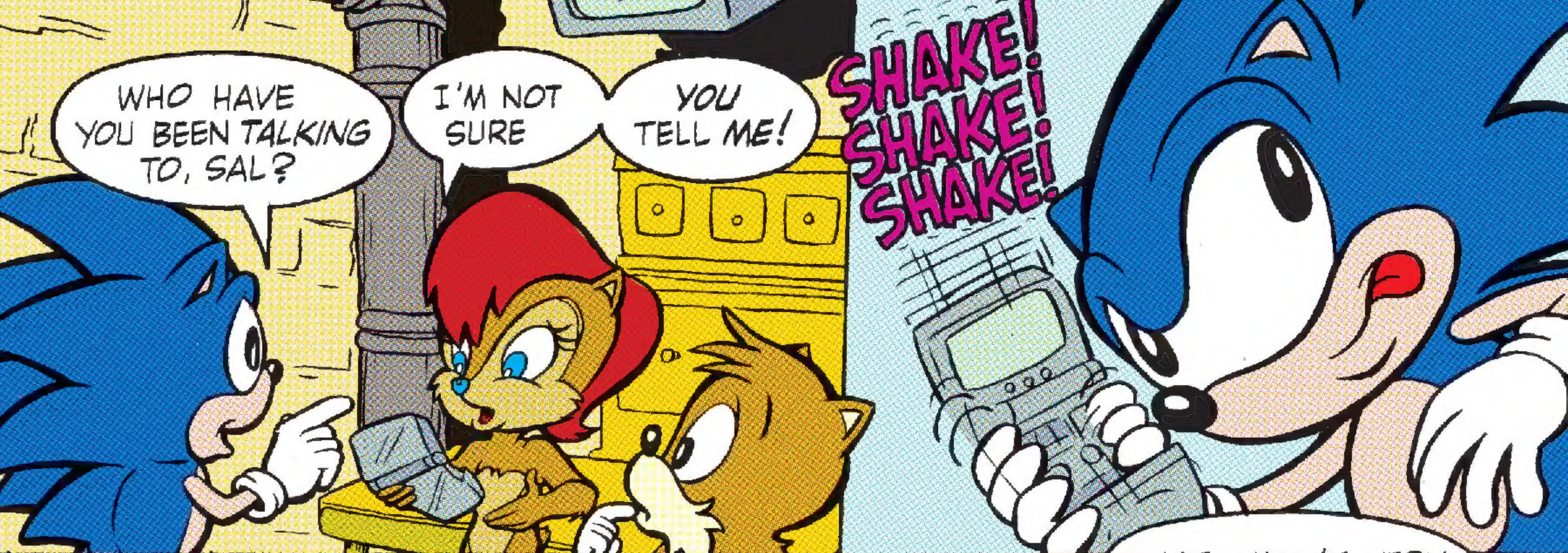


PRINCESS SALLY! WHAT ARE YOU DOING UP SO LATE?

IS EVERYTHING ALL RIGHT?

WE HEARD VOICES!





SUNSET, THE FOLLOWING DAY...

JULAYLA'S FINAL TESTAMENT CLAIMED THAT ALL I NEED TO ATTAIN ONENESS OF THE SOUL IS LOCKED WITHIN THE DARKNESS OF THE FORBIDDEN ZONE...

... A PLACE WHERE EVEN DOCTOR ROBOTNIK FEARS TO TREAD.

I COULD NEVER ASK THE OTHER FREEDOM FIGHTERS TO ACCOMPANY ME ON WHAT COULD PROVE TO BE SUCH A DANGEROUS AND PERSONAL MISSION.

SO...

...EXCEPT FOR YOU, NICOLE...

...I'LL HAVE TO GO IT ALONE!

GOING SOMEWHERE, PRINCESS?

WEREN'T THINKING OF HOGGING ALL THE GLORY FOR YOURSELF, WERE YOU?

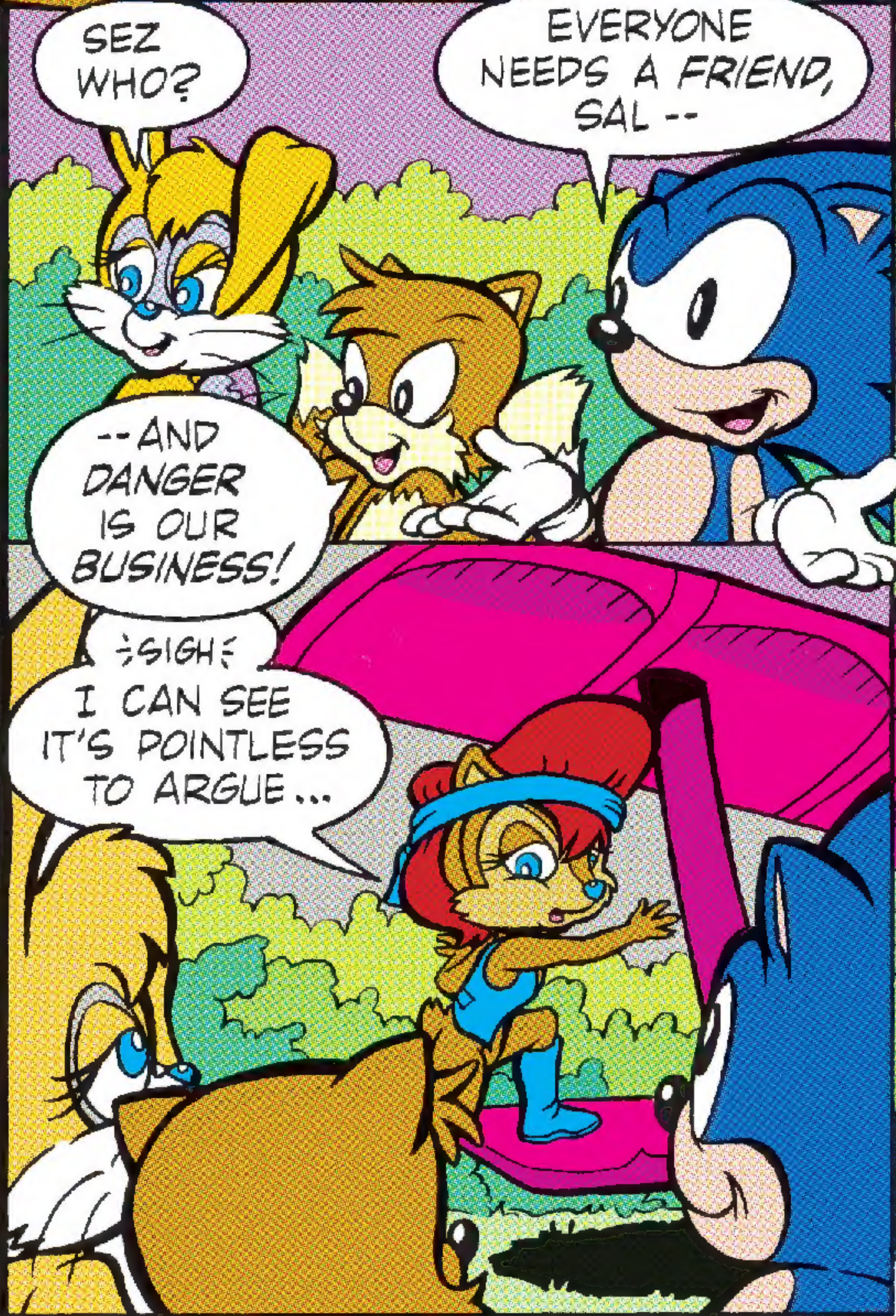
SWISH!

SONIC



GUYS, I APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT, BUT THIS COULD BE DANGEROUS!

BESIDES, IT'S SOMETHING I NEED TO DO ON MY OWN!

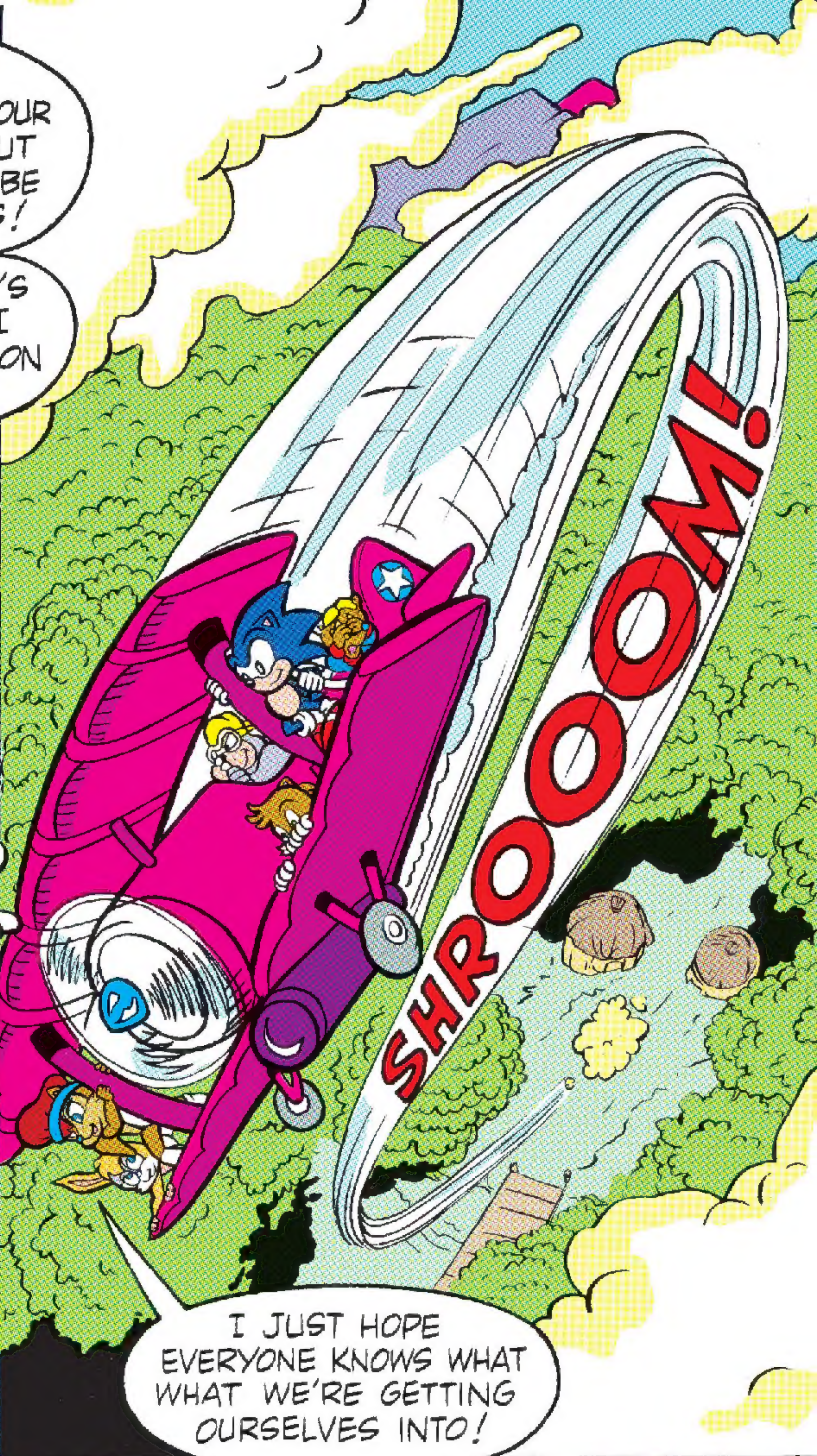


SEZ WHO?

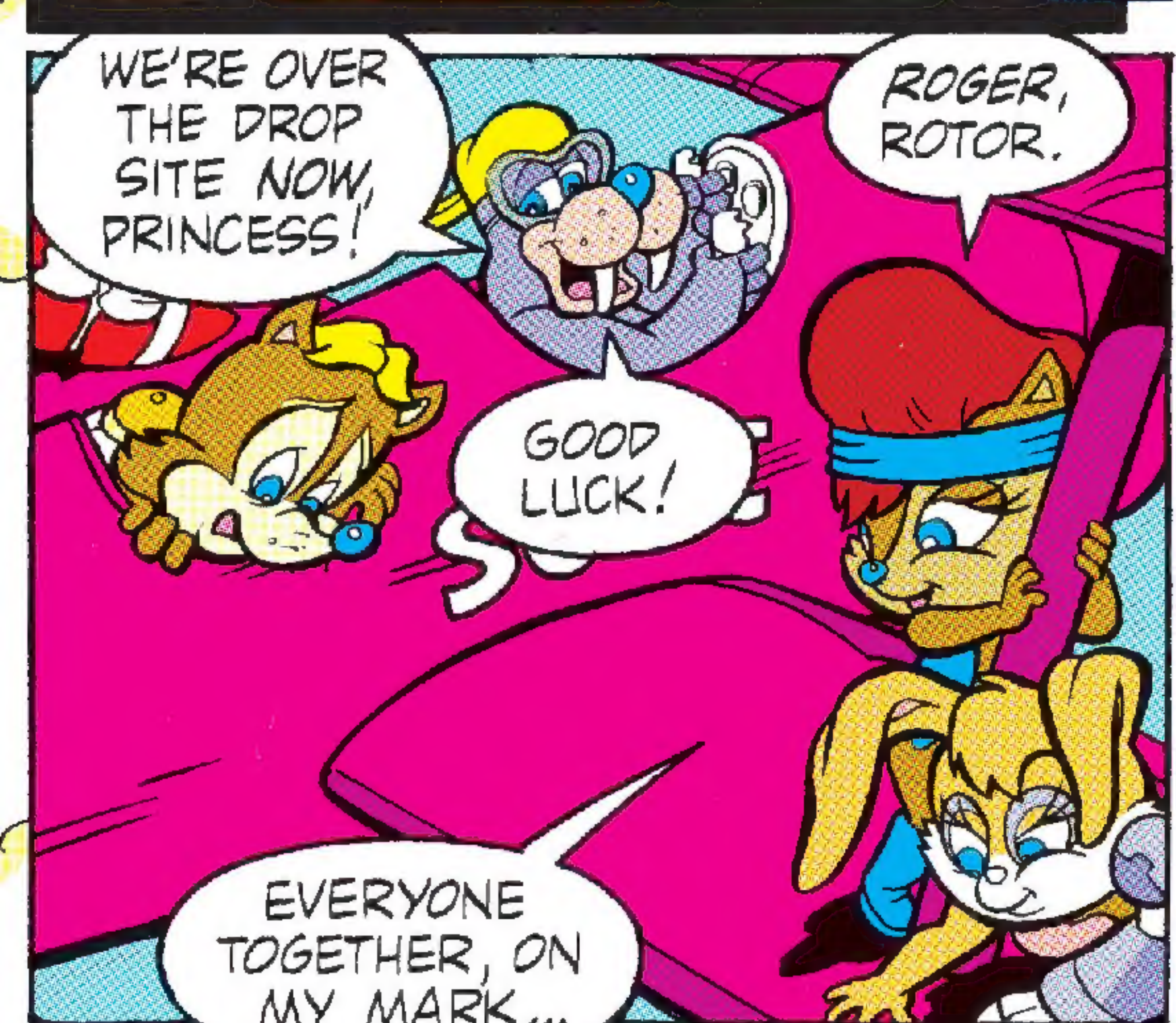
EVERYONE NEEDS A FRIEND, SAL --

-- AND DANGER IS OUR BUSINESS!

SIGH
I CAN SEE IT'S POINTLESS TO ARGUE...



I JUST HOPE EVERYONE KNOWS WHAT WHAT WE'RE GETTING OURSELVES INTO!



WE'RE OVER THE DROP SITE NOW, PRINCESS!

ROGER, ROTOR.

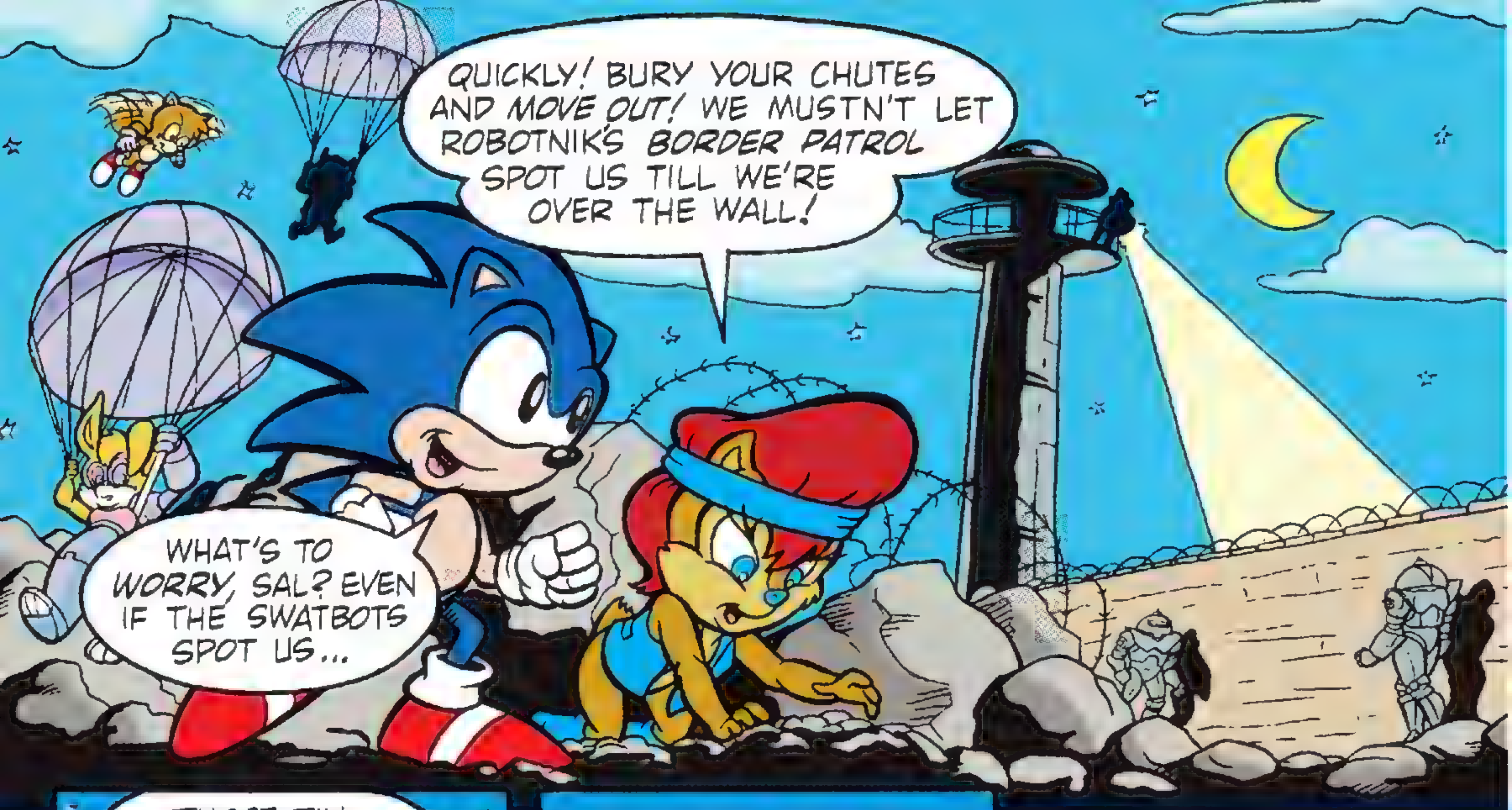
GOOD LUCK!

EVERYONE TOGETHER, ON MY MARK...



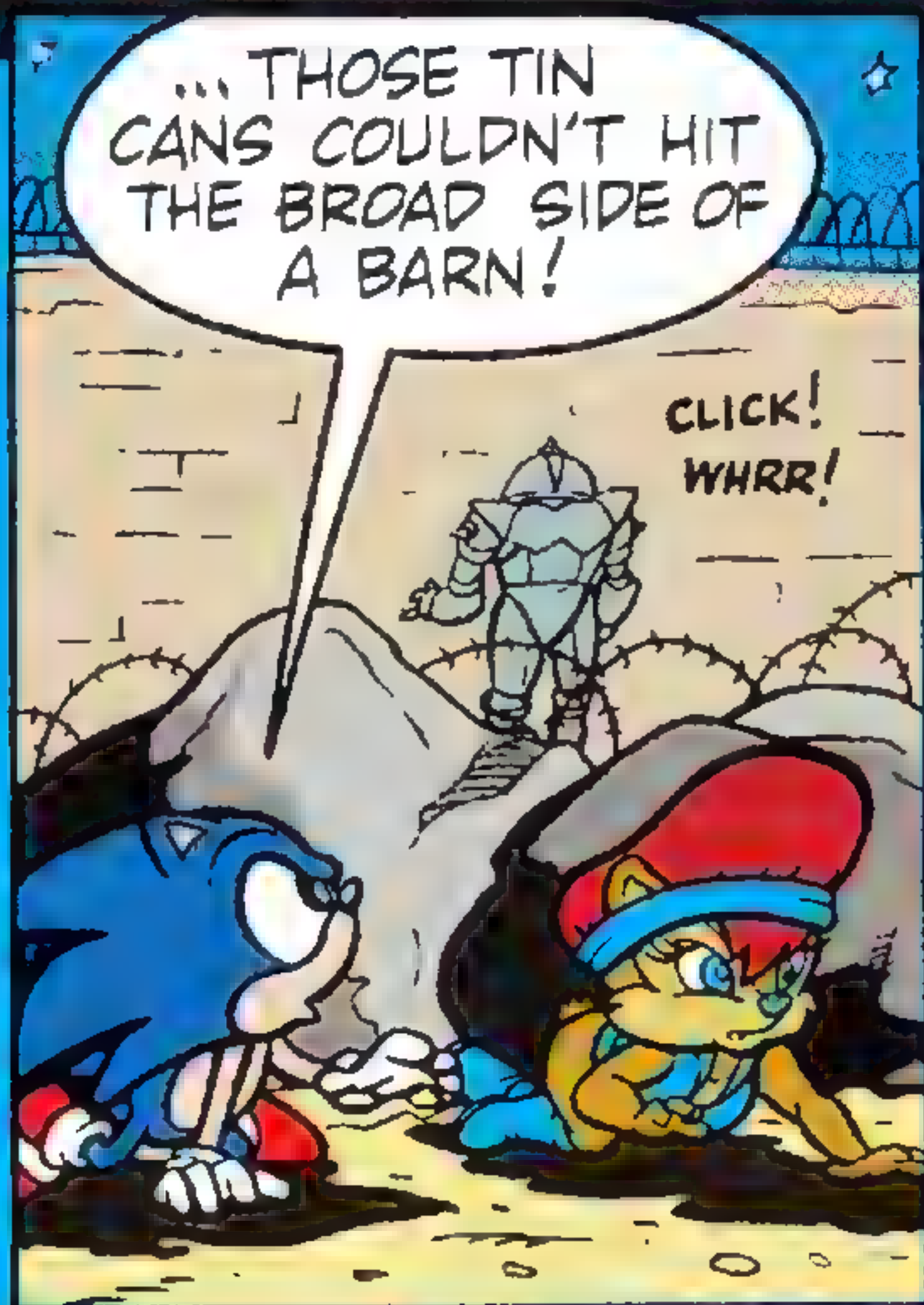
OH, MY...

I HAVE CONVENIENTLY FORGOTTEN MY FEAR OF ZEE HEIGHTS!



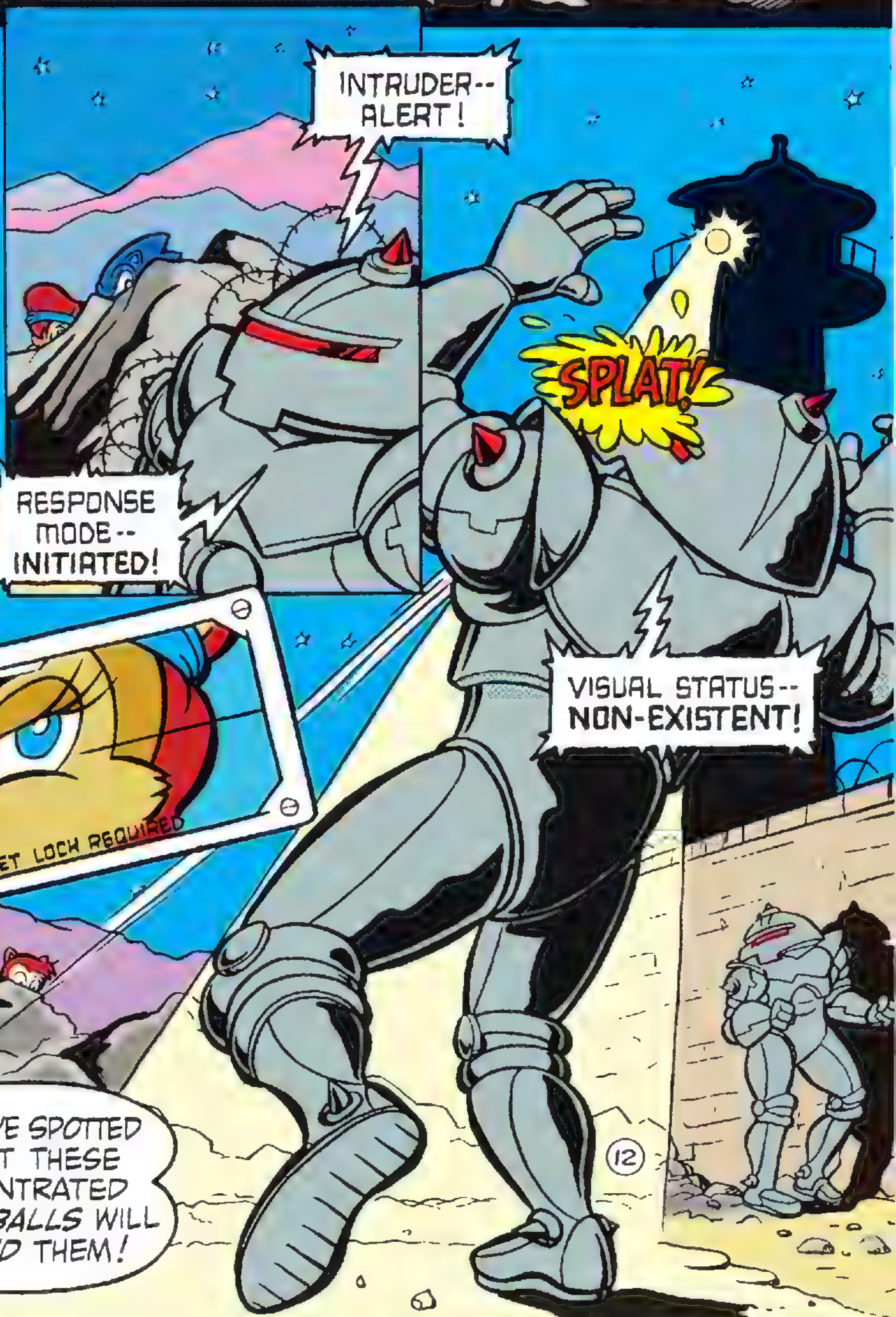
QUICKLY! BURY YOUR CHUTES AND MOVE OUT! WE MUSTN'T LET ROBOTNIK'S BORDER PATROL SPOT US TILL WE'RE OVER THE WALL!

WHAT'S TO WORRY, SAL? EVEN IF THE SWATBOTS SPOT US...



...THOSE TIN CANS COULDN'T HIT THE BROAD SIDE OF A BARN!

CLICK!
WHRR!

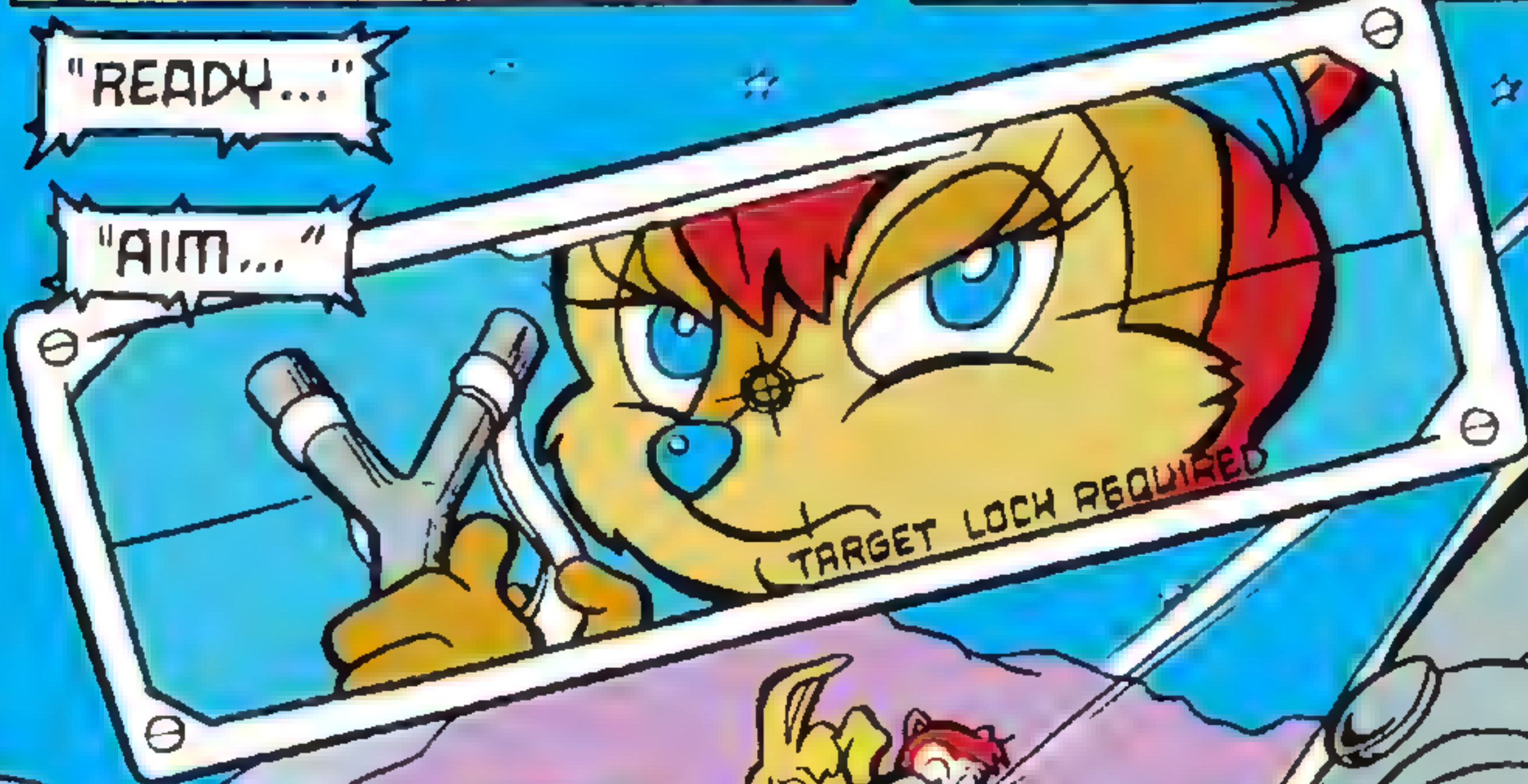


INTRUDER--
ALERT!

SPLAT!

RESPONSE
MODE--
INITIATED!

VISUAL STATUS--
NON-EXISTENT!

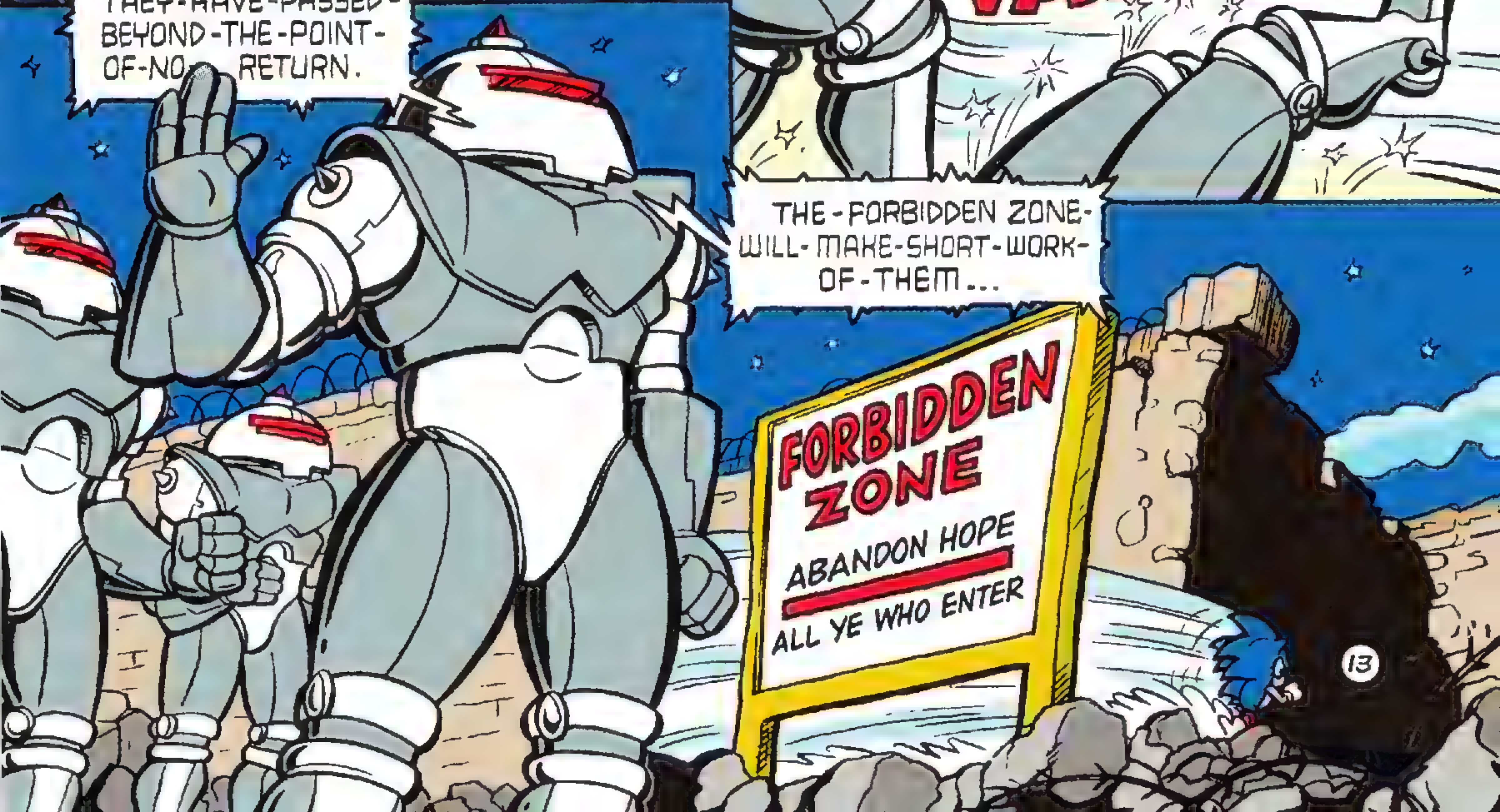
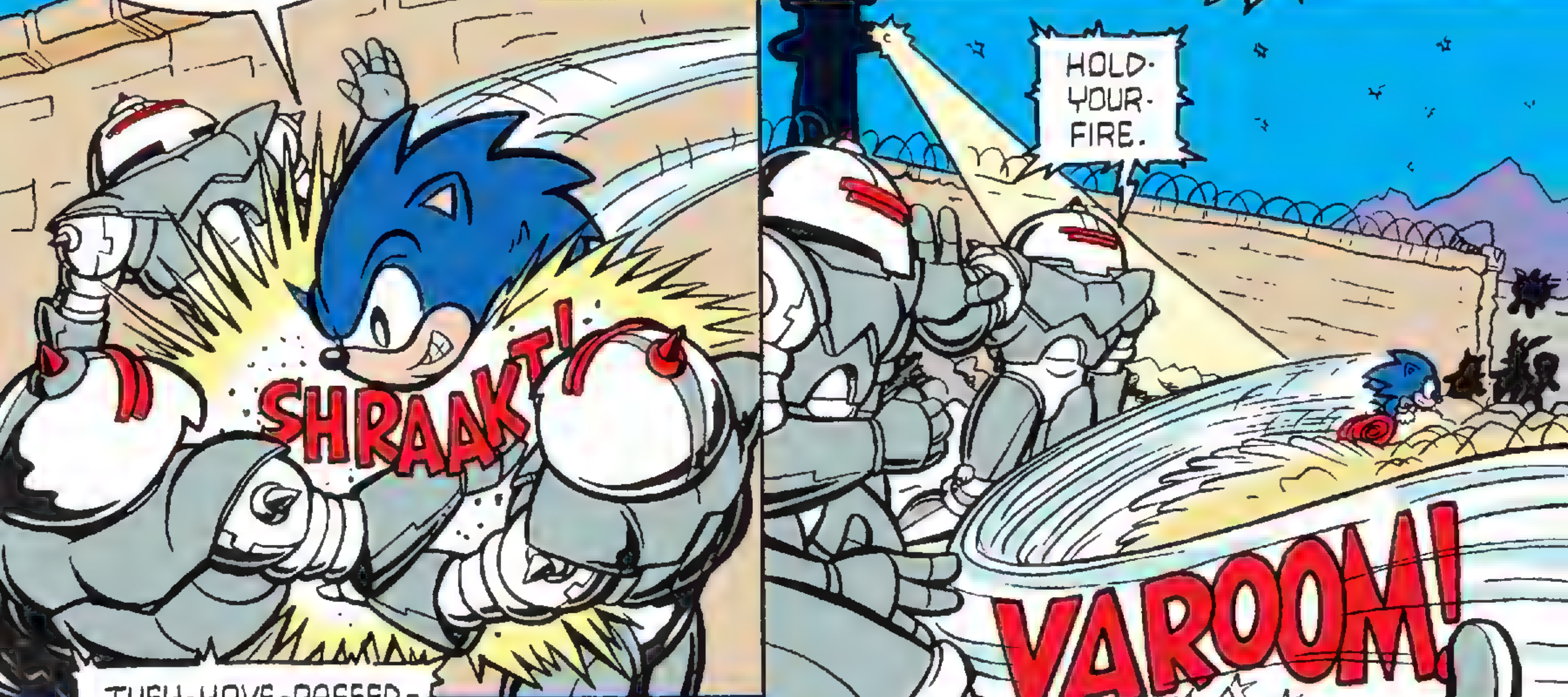
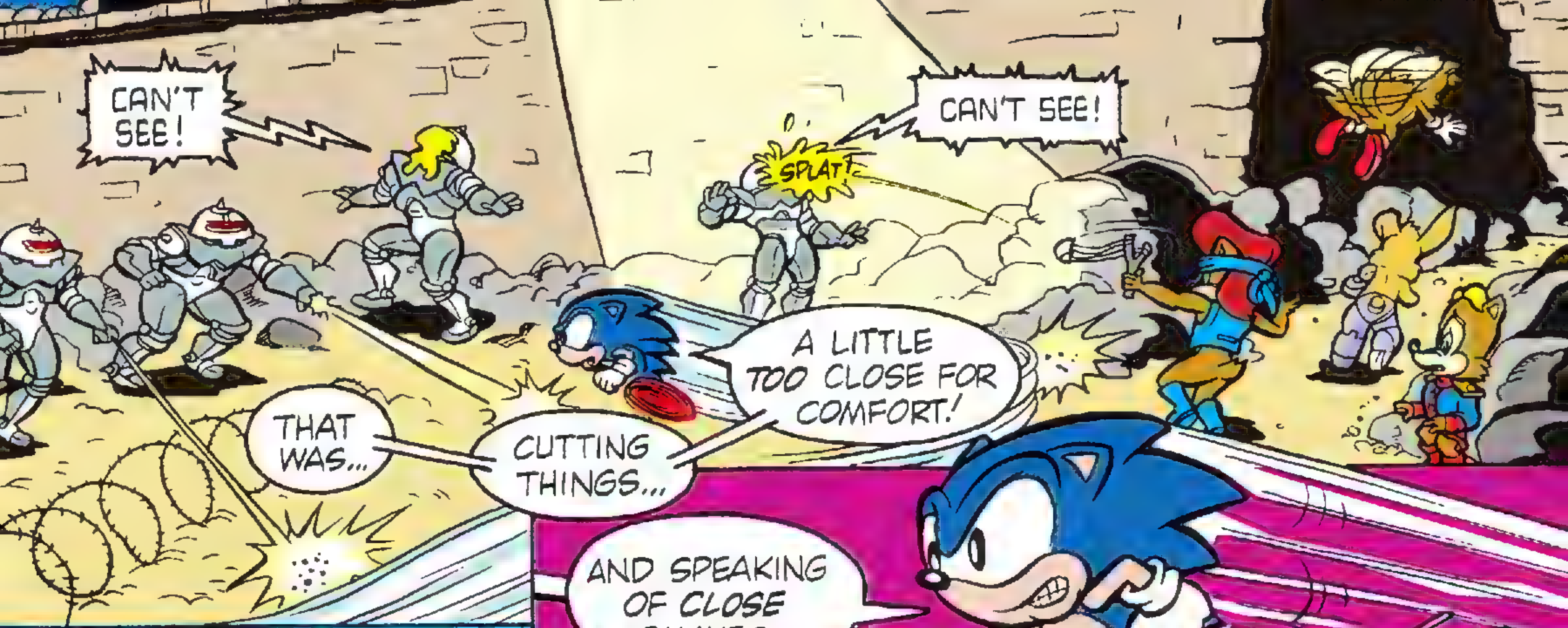


"READY..."

"AIM..."

TARGET LOCK REQUIRED

THEY'VE SPOTTED US, BUT THESE CONCENTRATED PAINT BALLS WILL BLIND THEM!



"...AND-PROVE-THEIR-
ULTIMATE-UNDOING!"

WHIP
WHIP

WHOOOSH!

SHOOM!

WE'RE IN!
NOW WHAT?

THE MAP SAYS WE
HEAD THATAWAY!

OH?

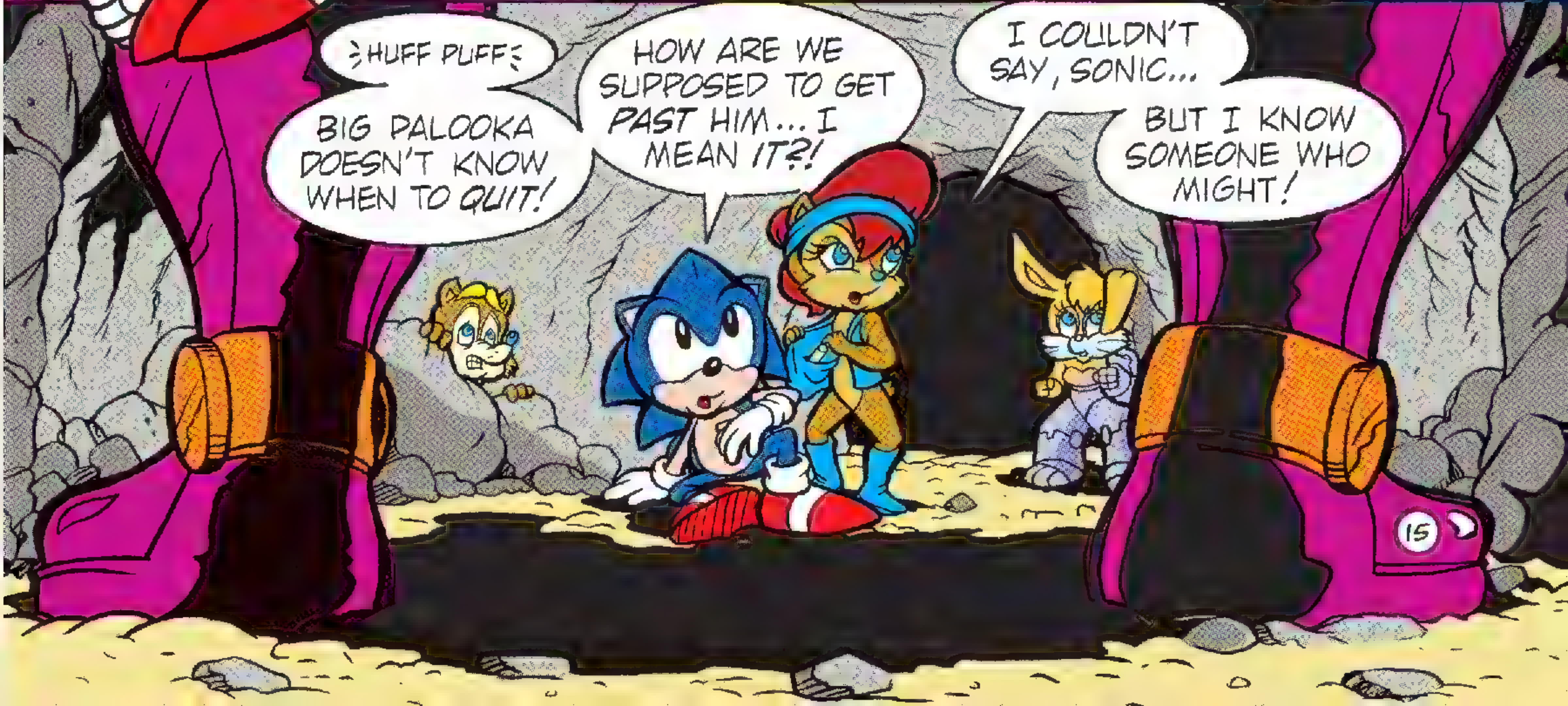
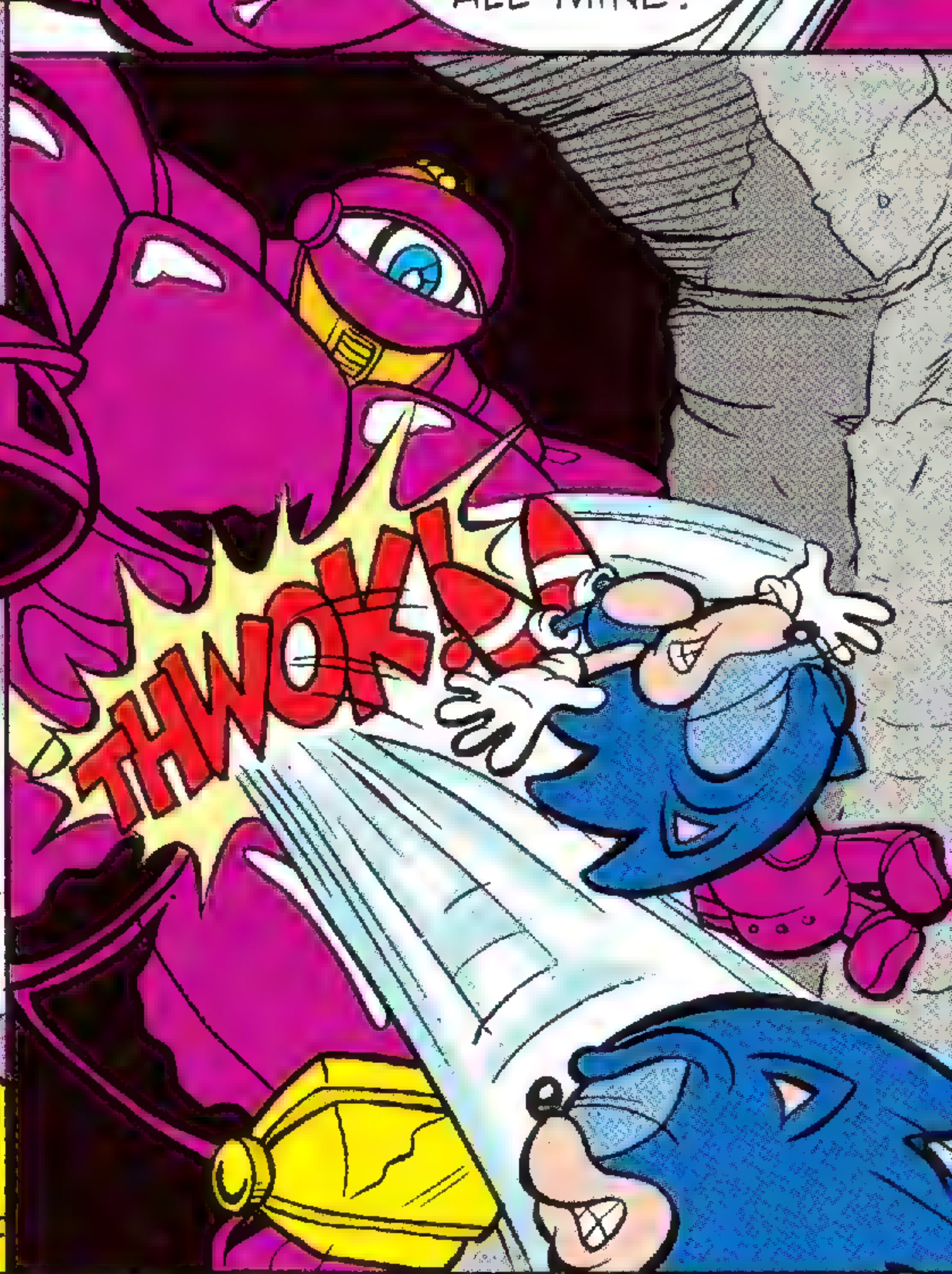
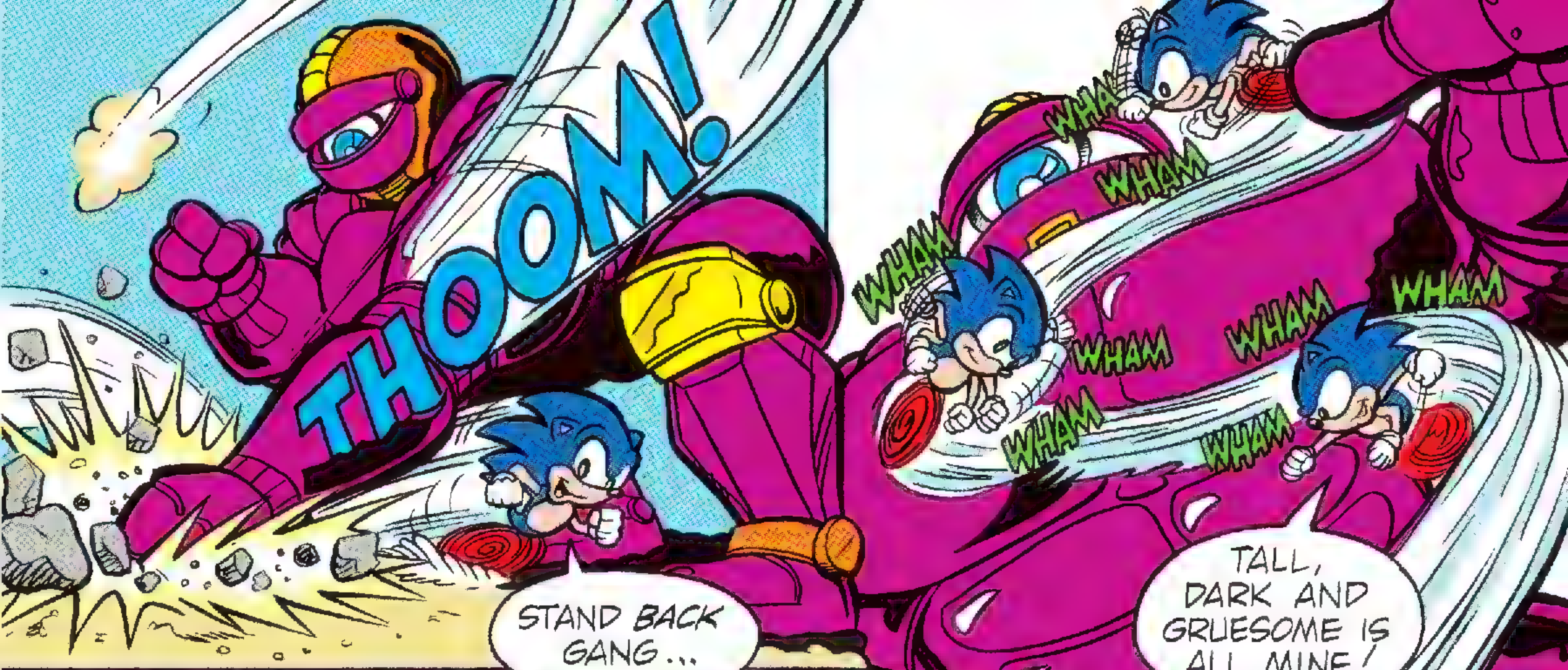
LIKE WHAT?

IT ALSO SAYS
THERE ARE A FEW
OBSTACLES-- IN
OUR PATH.

...LIKE
THAT!

MON
DIEU! IT
EES ZEE
CYCLOPS!

GULP!
LOOKS MORE
LIKE A ONE-EYED
MONSTER TO ME!



STAND BACK GANG...

TALL, DARK AND GRUESOME IS ALL MINE!

THWAK!

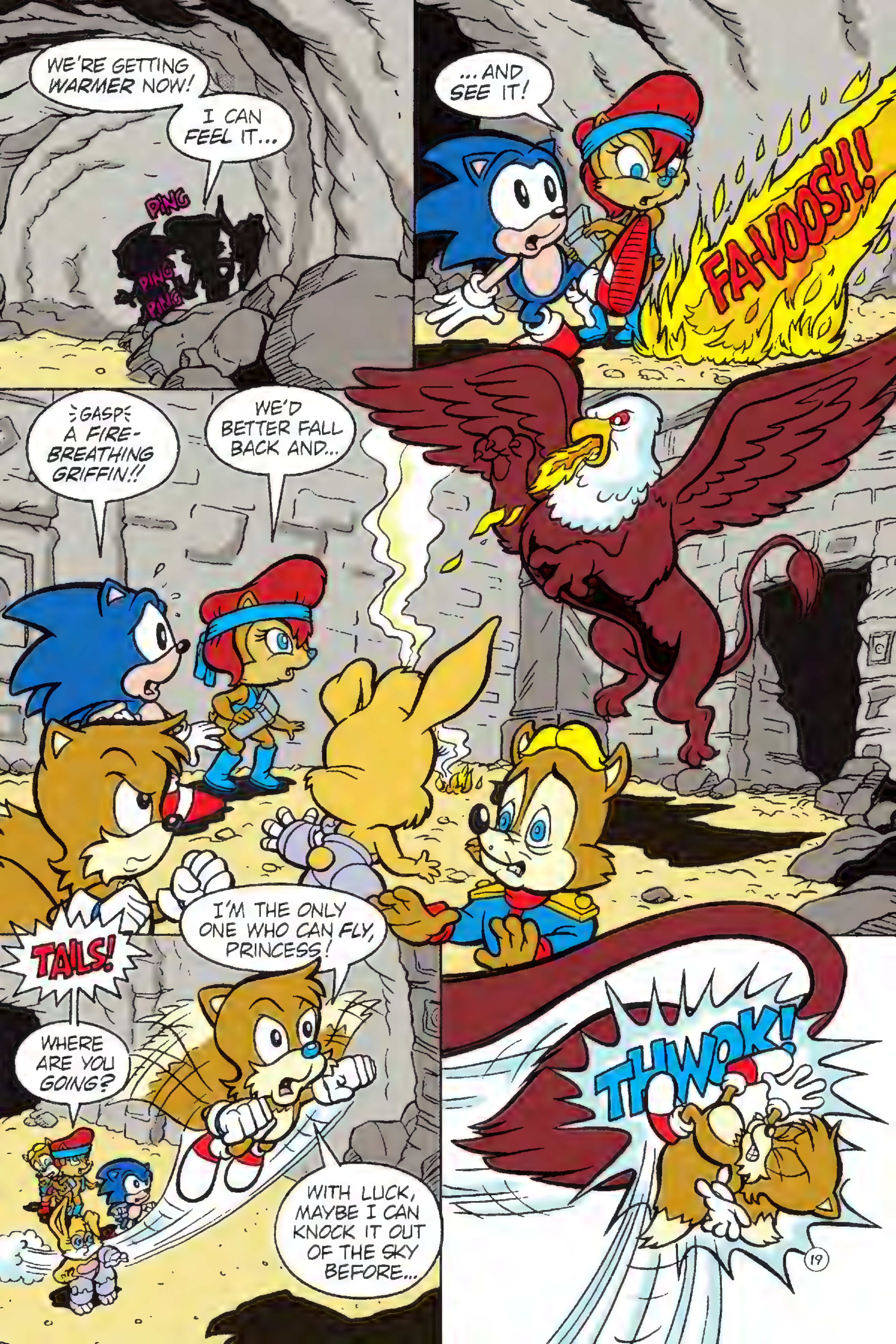
THWOK!

≡ HUFF PUFF ≡
BIG PALOOKA DOESN'T KNOW WHEN TO QUIT!

HOW ARE WE SUPPOSED TO GET PAST HIM... I MEAN IT?!

I COULDN'T SAY, SONIC...

BUT I KNOW SOMEONE WHO MIGHT!



WE'RE GETTING WARMER NOW!

I CAN FEEL IT...

PING

PING

PING

...AND SEE IT!

FA-VOOSH!

GASP! A FIRE-BREATHING GRIFFIN!!

WE'D BETTER FALL BACK AND...

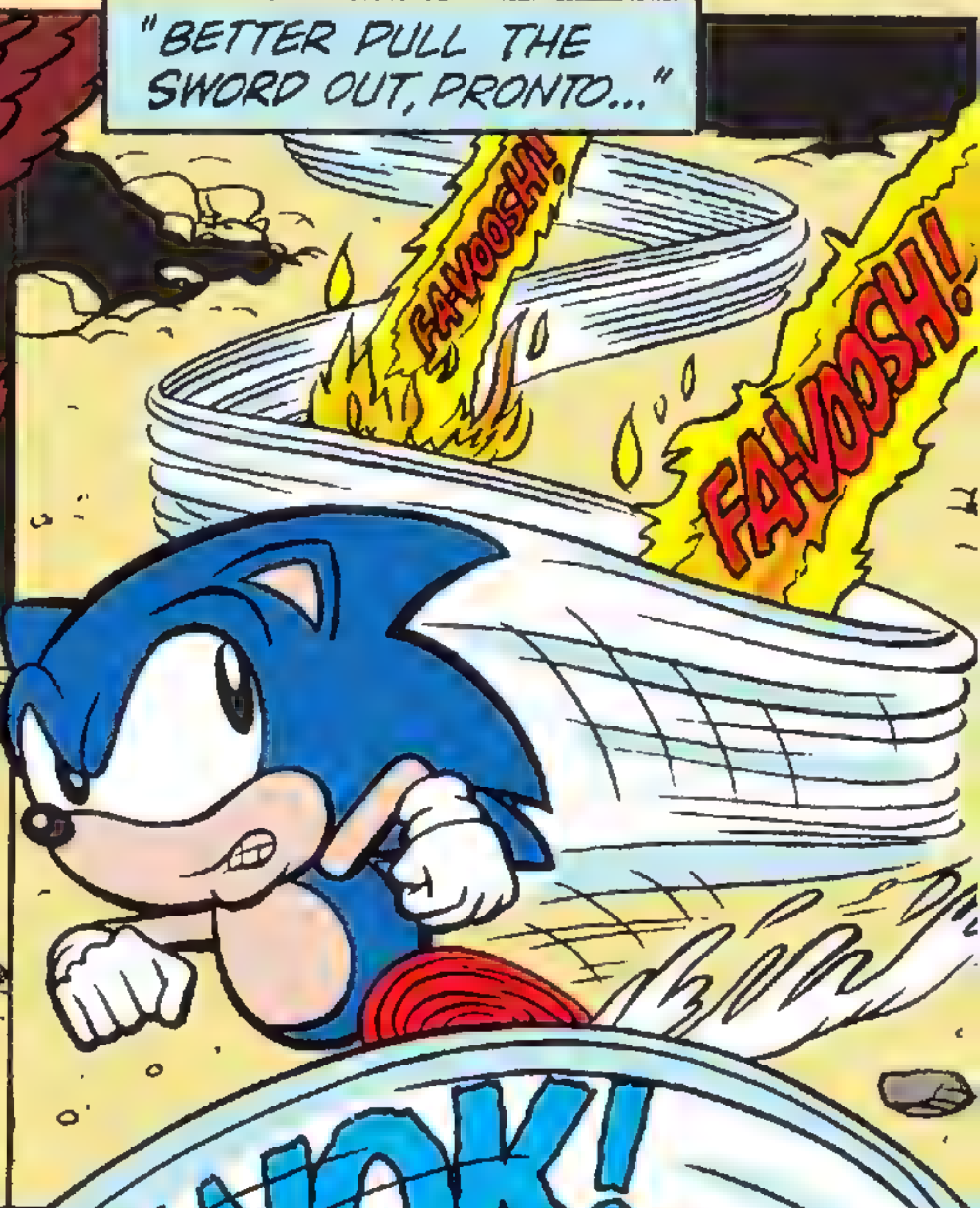
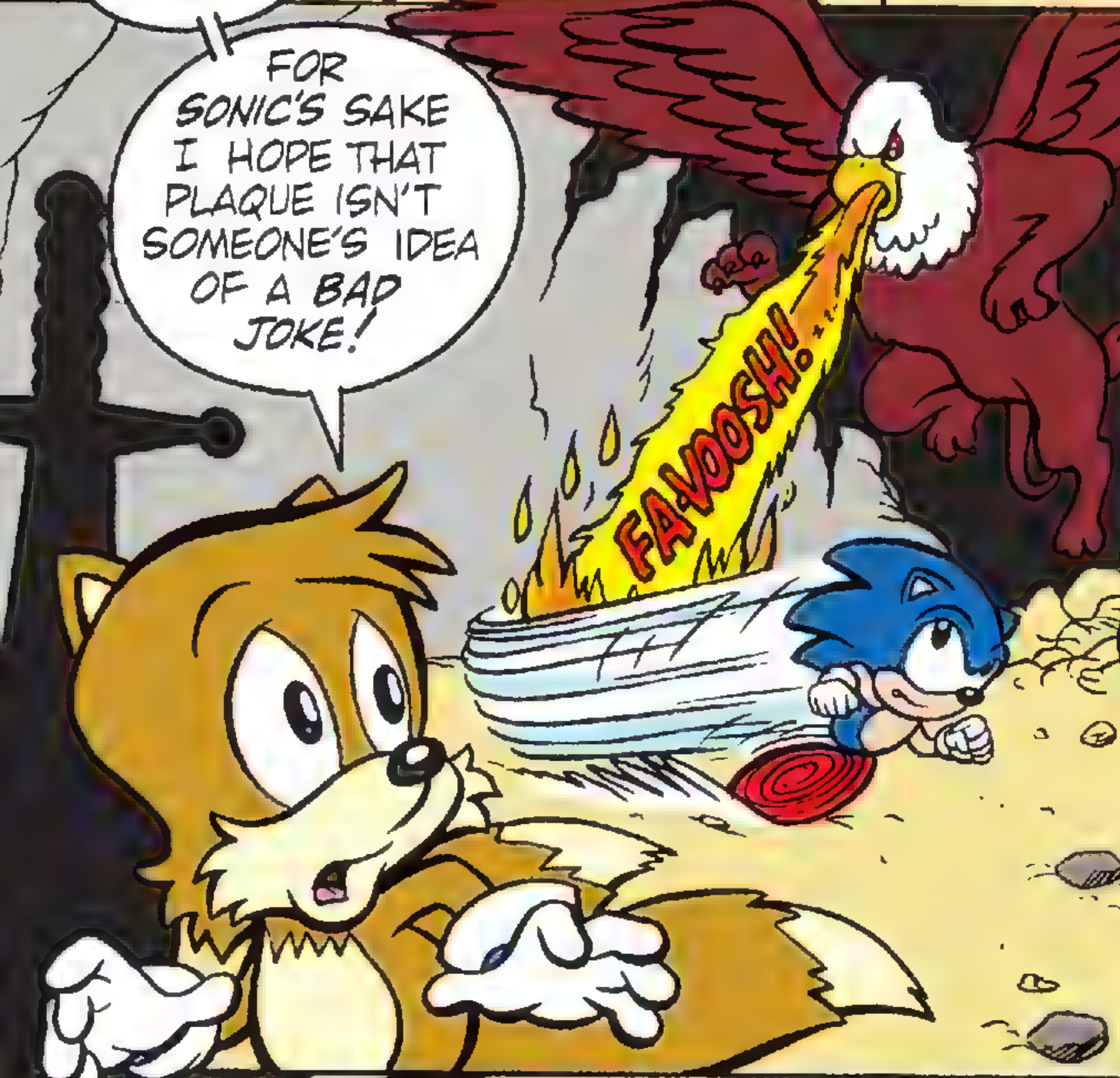
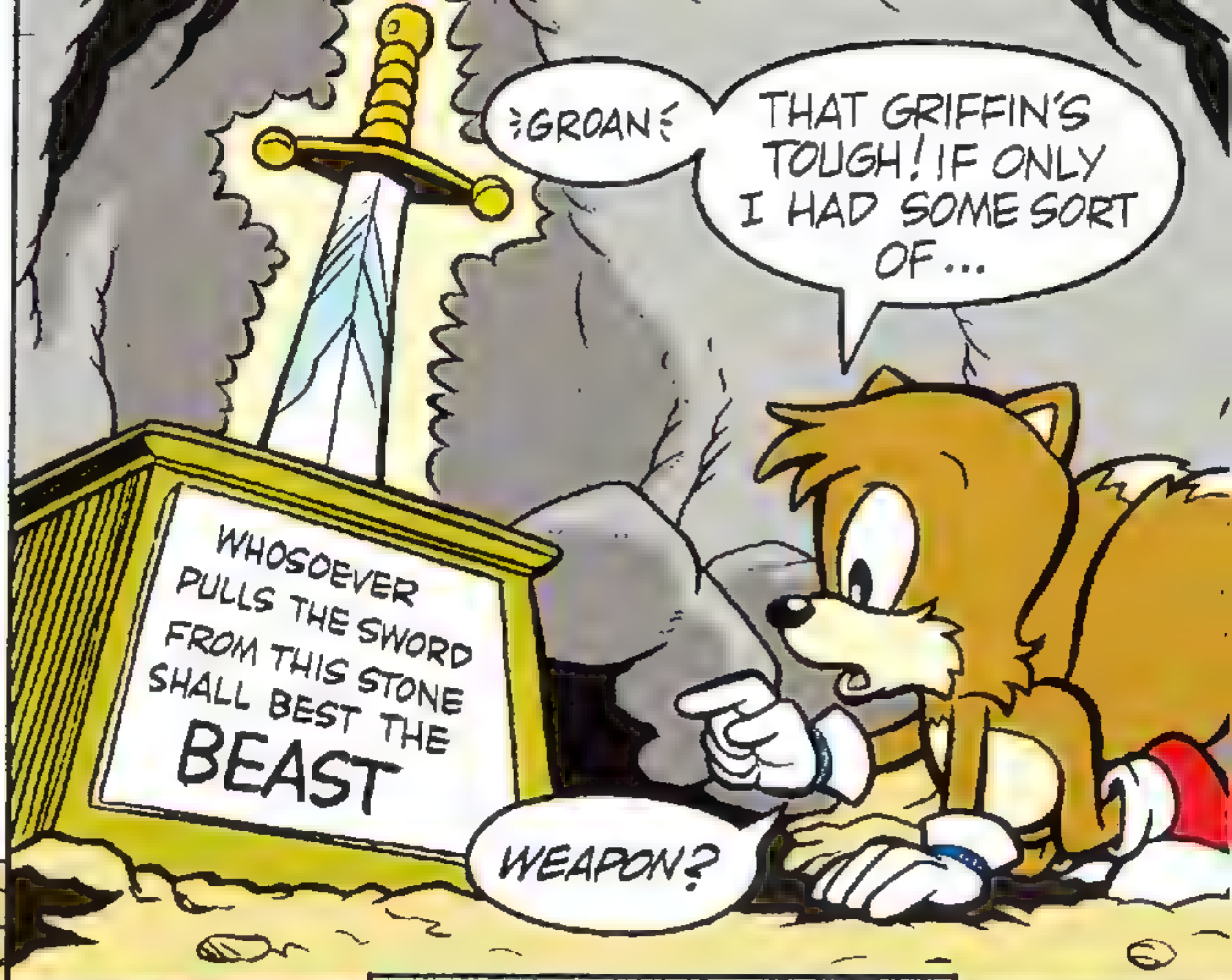
TAILS!

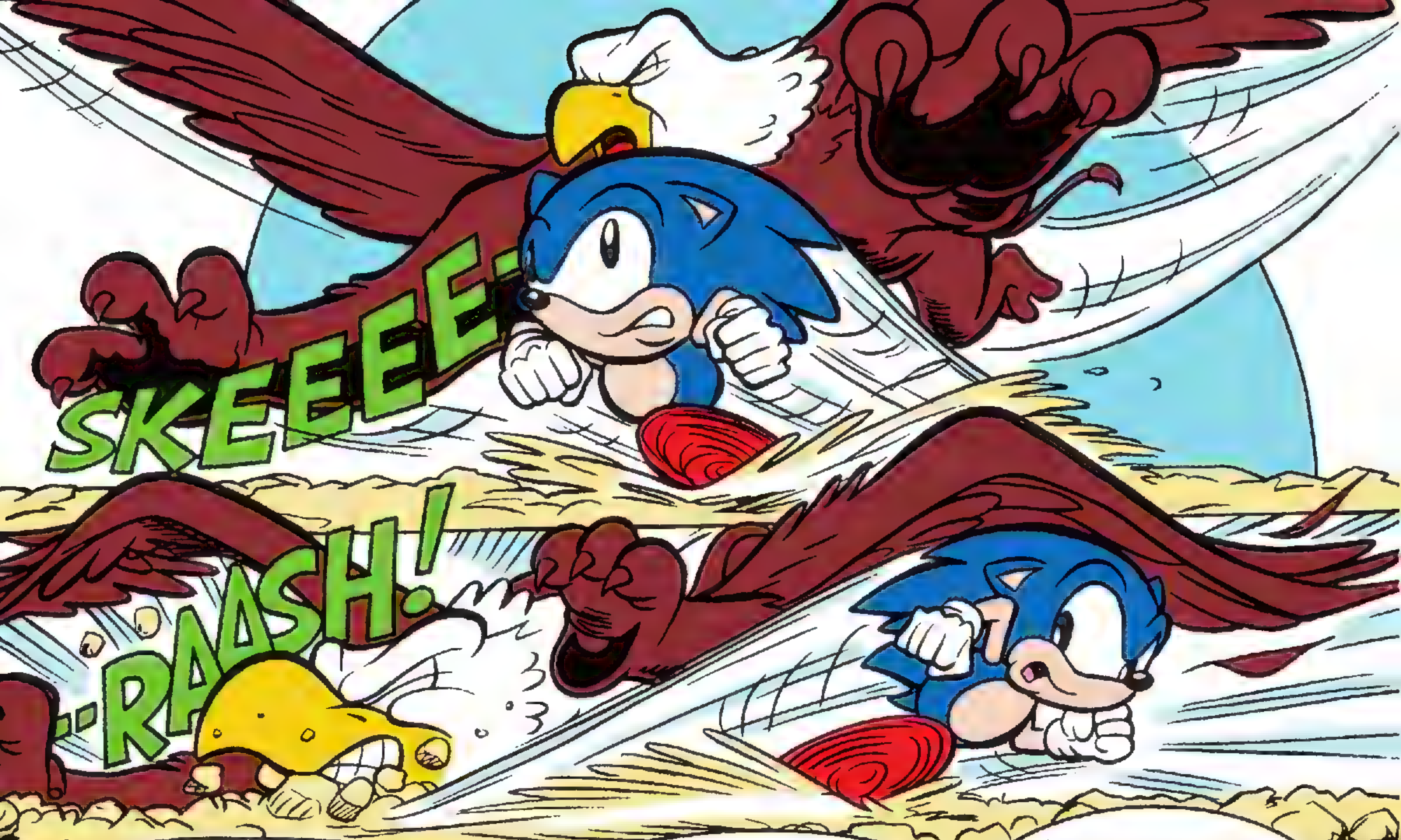
I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN FLY, PRINCESS!

WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

WITH LUCK, MAYBE I CAN KNOCK IT OUT OF THE SKY BEFORE...

THWOK!

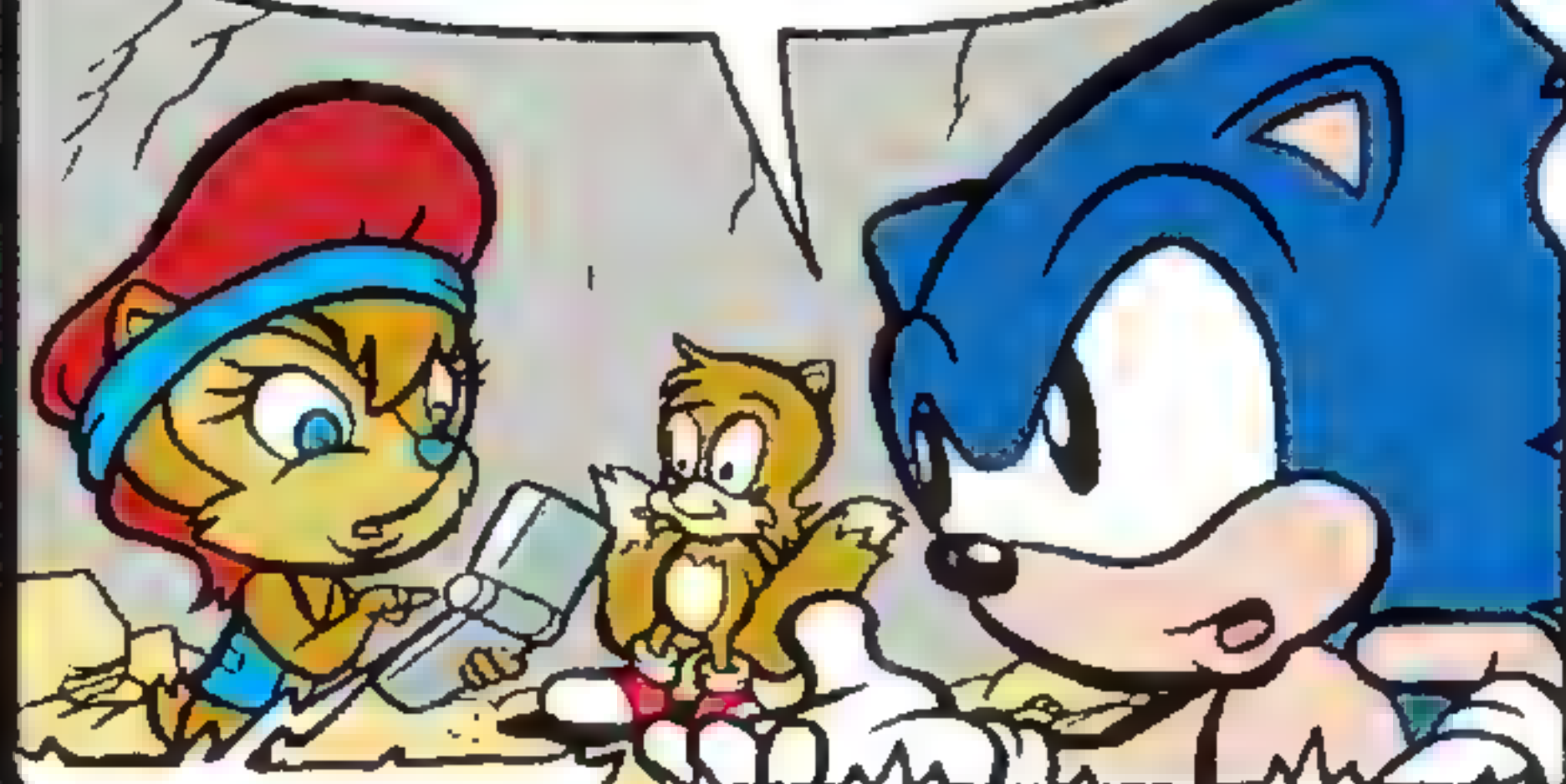




EXCUSE ME... BUT WHAT JUST HAPPENED HERE?

THAT WAS VERY BRAVE, TAILS! BUT NEXT TIME PROMISE ME YOU'LL LOOK BEFORE YOU LEAP!

ACCORDING TO THE MAP, WE'RE ALMOST THERE. I JUST HOPE WE DON'T RUN INTO ANY MORE...



BY FREEING THE SWORD FROM THE STONE...
TAILS BROKE THE CIRCUIT WHICH GRANTED THE GRIFFIN ITS MOBILITY.



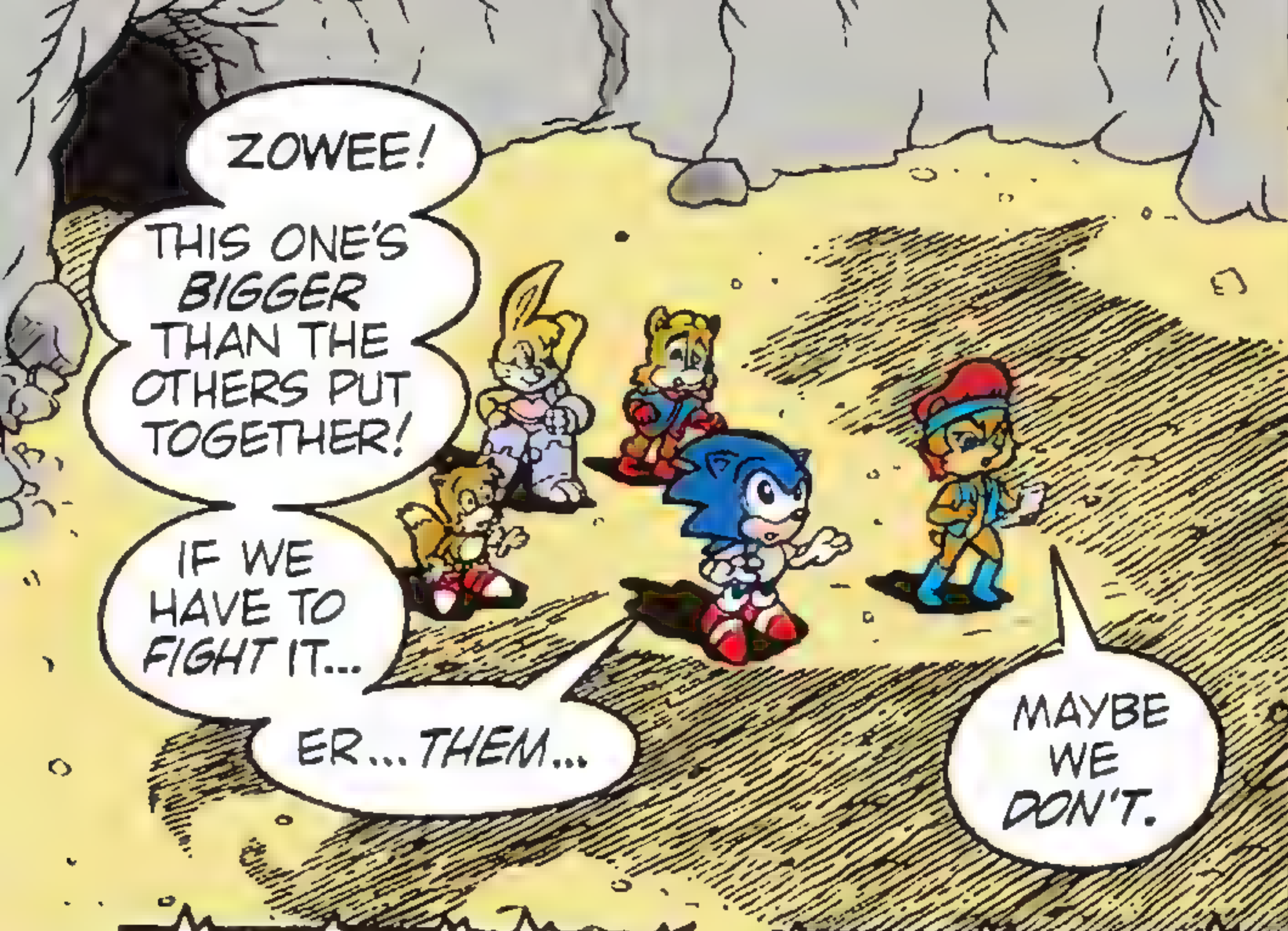
YES, MA'AM!



...TROUBLE.

AW, NO!
NOT AGAIN!





ZOWEE!

THIS ONE'S
BIGGER
THAN THE
OTHERS PUT
TOGETHER!

IF WE
HAVE TO
FIGHT IT...

ER...THEM...

MAYBE
WE
DON'T.



WHAT
CAN YOU
TELL US
ABOUT THAT
THING,
NICOLE?

THE CREATURE BEFORE
YOU IS THE LEGENDARY
POLYSAURUS REX.

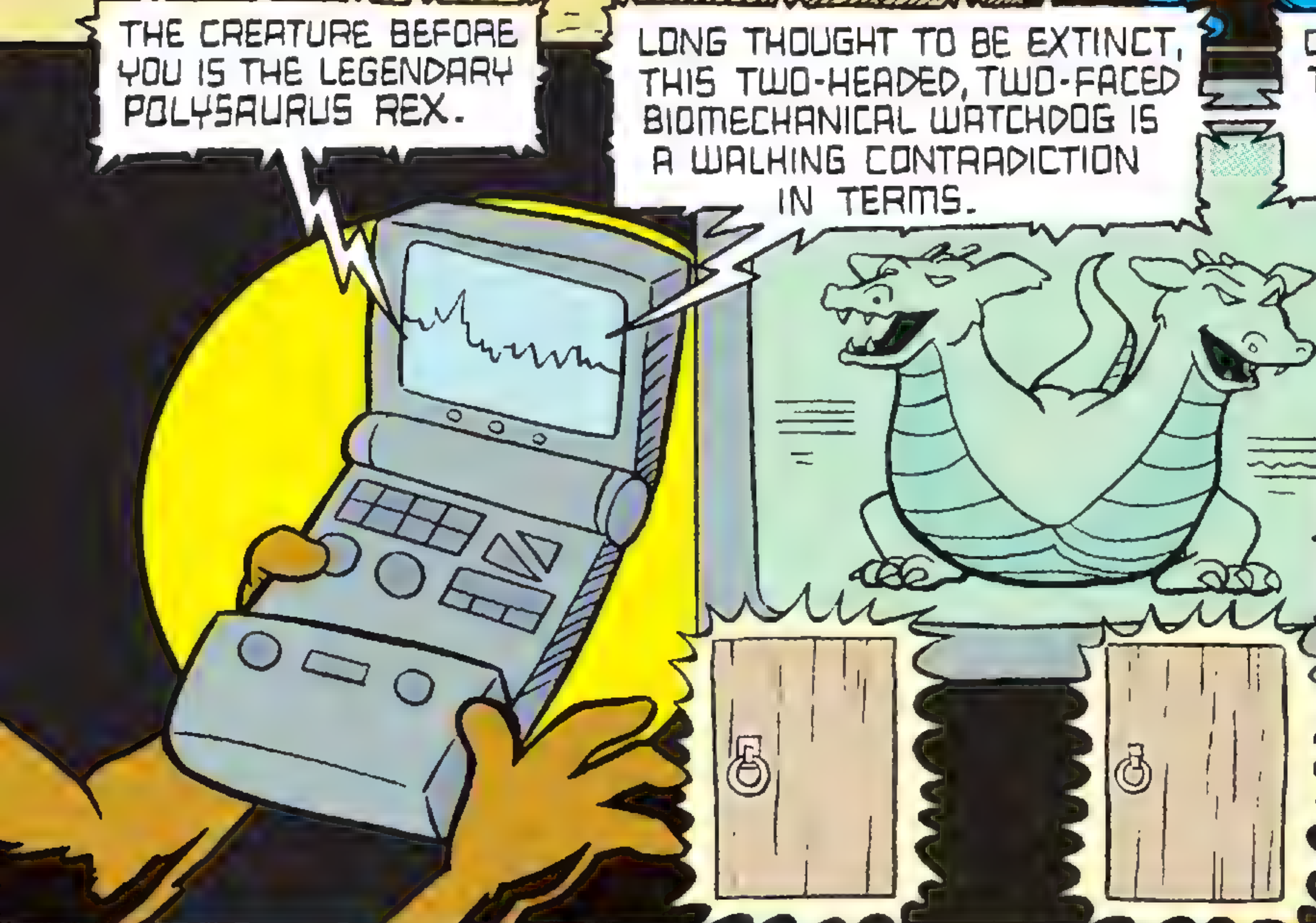
LONG THOUGHT TO BE EXTINCT,
THIS TWO-HEADED, TWO-FACED
BIOMECHANICAL WATCHDOG IS
A WALKING CONTRADICTION
IN TERMS.

ONE HEAD ALWAYS
TELLS THE TRUTH,
WHILE THE OTHER
ALWAYS LIES--

AND NO ONE
CAN EVER BE
QUITE SURE WHICH
HEAD IS WHICH.

BEYOND IT LIE
TWO DOORS, ONE
LEADS TO YOUR
QUEST'S END--

THE OTHER,
TOWARD CERTAIN
DOOM.



CHOOSE YOUR
WORDS WITH
CARE, SALLY.

CHOOSE
MY...

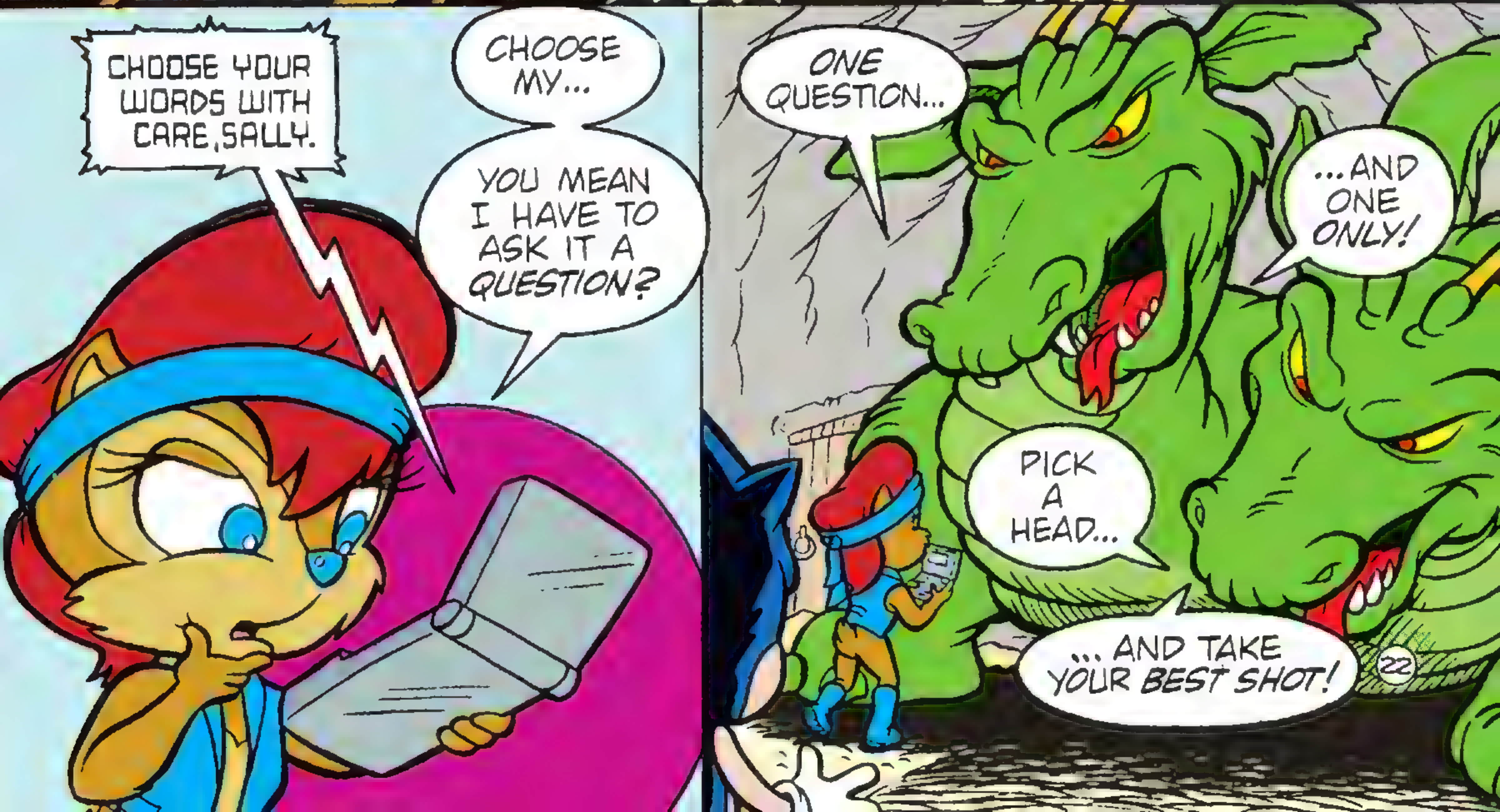
YOU MEAN
I HAVE TO
ASK IT A
QUESTION?

ONE
QUESTION...

...AND
ONE
ONLY!

PICK
A
HEAD...

... AND TAKE
YOUR BEST SHOT!



VERY WELL.

YOU... ON THE LEFT! WHICH DOOR WOULD THE OTHER HEAD CLAIM LEADS TO QUEST'S END?



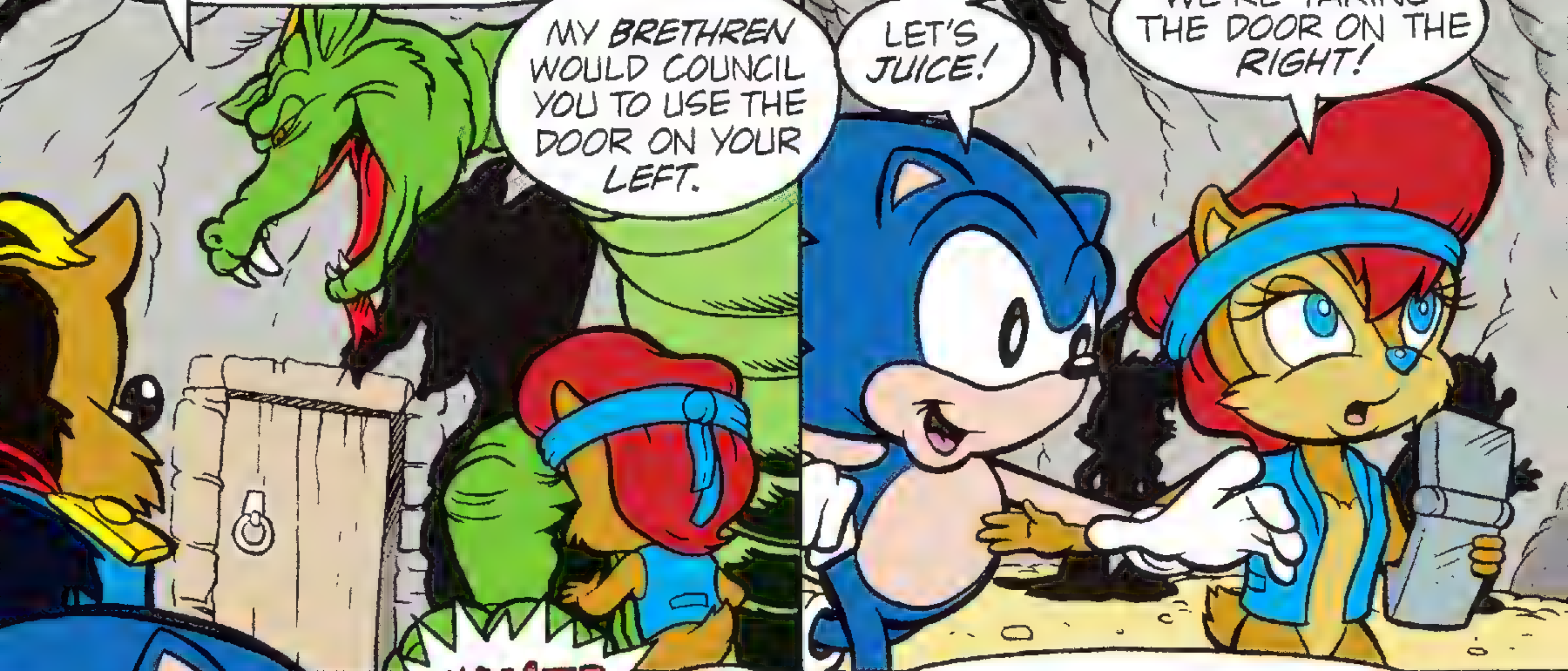
TRULY, YOU ARE WISE BEYOND YOUR YEARS, LITTLE PRINCESS.

MY BRETHREN WOULD COUNCIL YOU TO USE THE DOOR ON YOUR LEFT.

THAT'S IT, THEN!

LET'S JUICE!

NO, SONIC-- WE'RE TAKING THE DOOR ON THE RIGHT!



WHAT?

BUT HE JUST SAID--

THAT'S RIGHT!

ON THE OTHER HAND, IF HE WAS THE HEAD THAT LIES... THEN OBVIOUSLY IT WOULD STILL BE THE DOOR ON THE RIGHT!

THINK ABOUT IT...

IF HE WAS THE HEAD THAT TELLS THE TRUTH, HE WOULD HAVE TOLD US TRUTHFULLY THAT THE OTHER HEAD WOULD HAVE LIED.



WELL, SINCE WE AREN'T PUSHING UP DAISIES, I GUESS YOU MADE THE RIGHT CHOICE.

BUT THAT STILL DOESN'T TELL ME WHICH HEAD WAS WHICH!

FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH, I DON'T KNOW EITHER! BUT NONE OF THAT MATTERS NOW!

WE'VE ARRIVED AT...

Quest's END!

WOW...
LOOK AT THAT!

I SEE IT, SONIC!

A MINIATURE VERSION OF JULAYLA'S HOPE CHEST!

THIS MUST BE WHAT WE CAME FOR!

I WONDER WHAT'S...

INSIDE?!

POP!

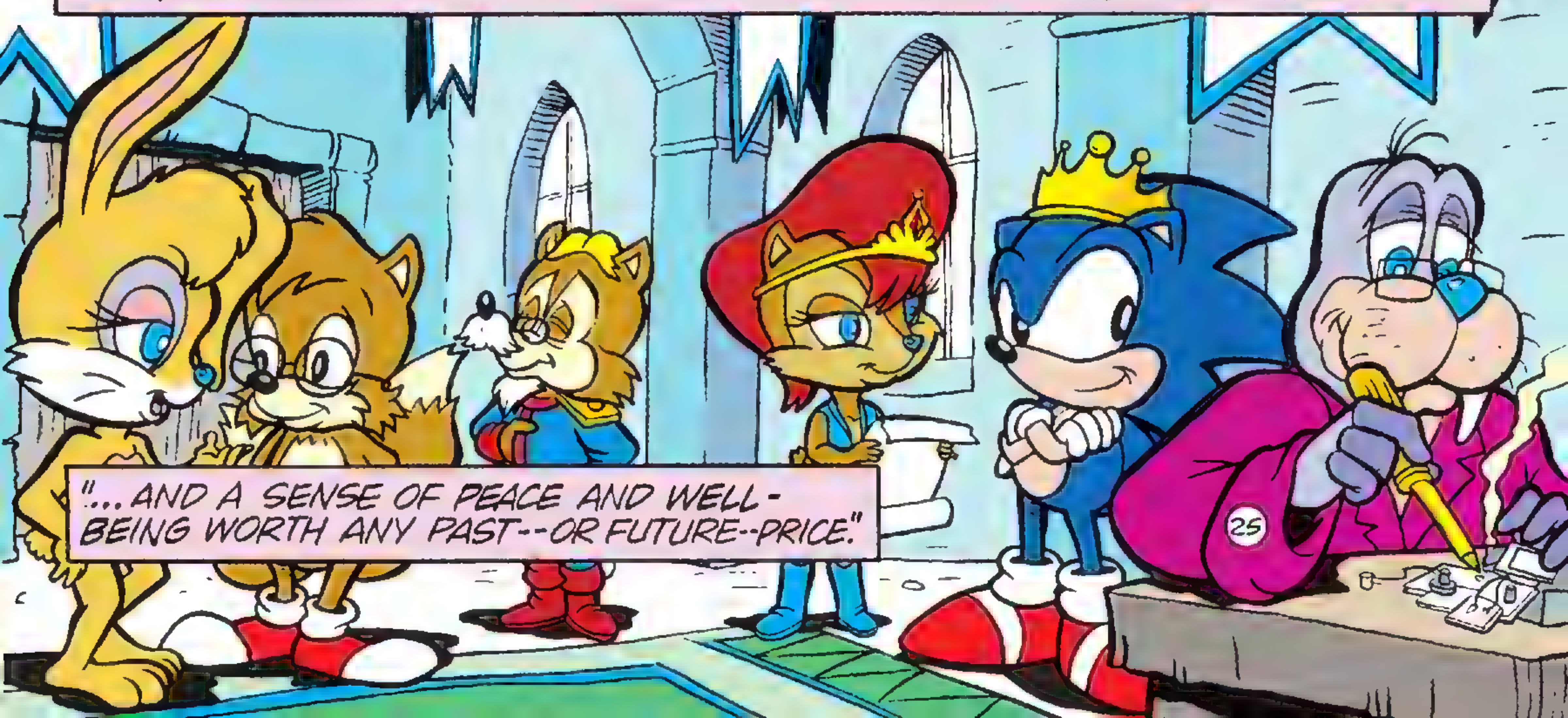


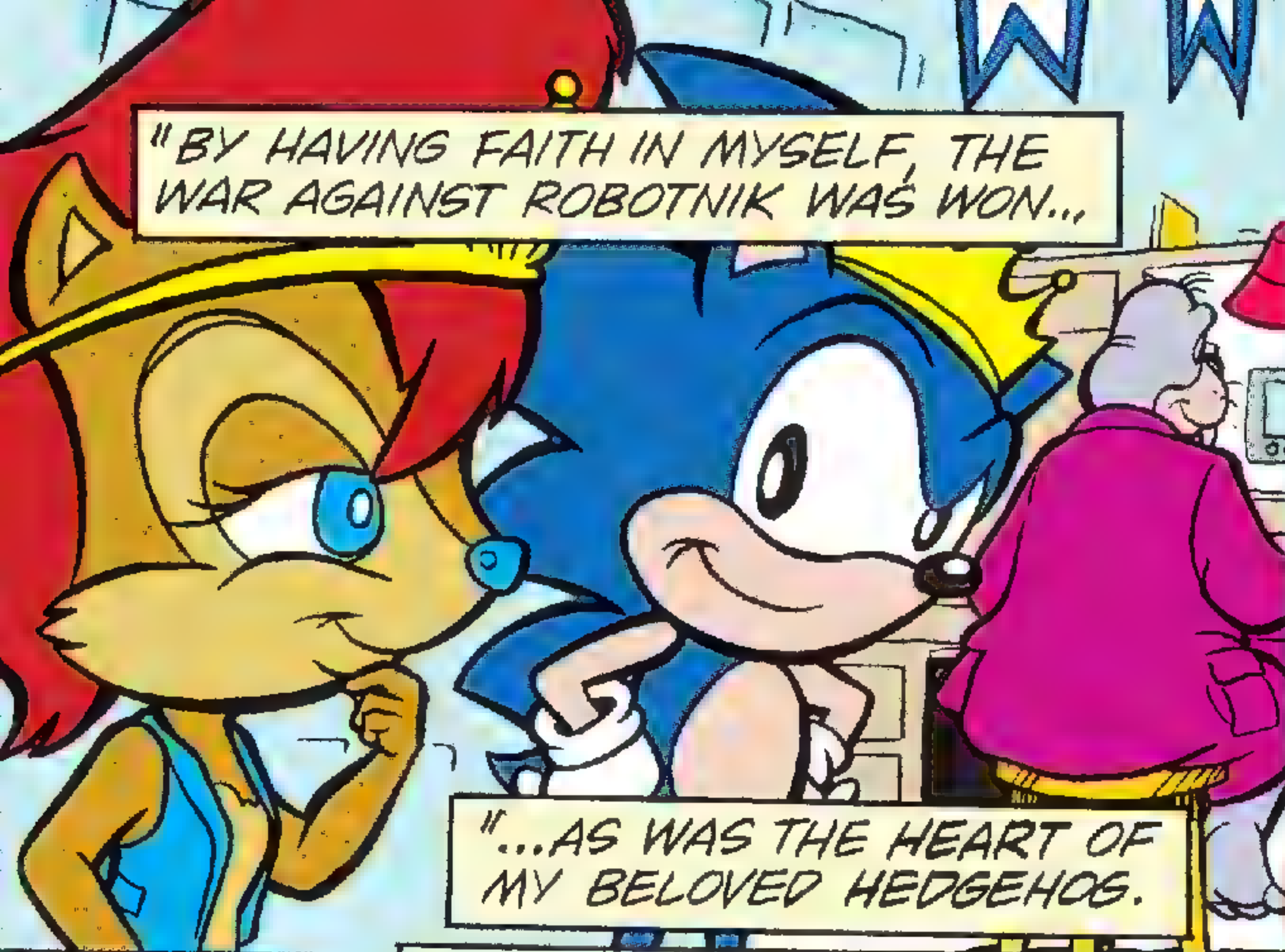
"I DIDN'T UNDERSTAND THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE MOMENT THEN..."



"JULAYLA'S WORDS HAVE SERVED ME IN GOOD STEAD FOR FULLY TWO DECADES!"

"AS HER FINAL TESTAMENT CLEARLY STATED, THE FULFILLMENT OF MY QUEST HAS INDEED GRANTED ME ONENESS OF THE SOUL..."

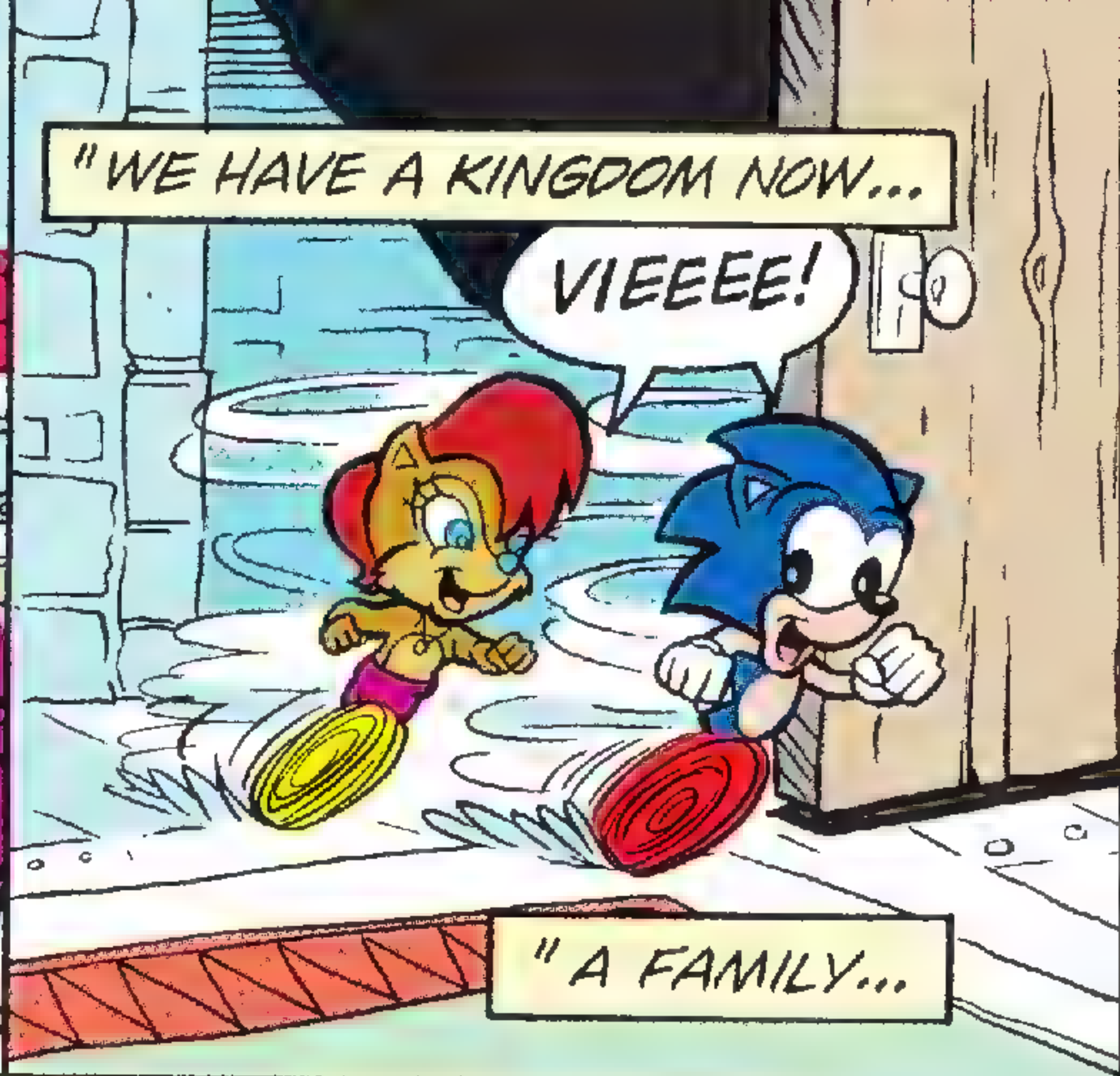




"BY HAVING FAITH IN MYSELF, THE WAR AGAINST ROBOTNIK WAS WON..."

"...AS WAS THE HEART OF MY BELOVED HEDGEHOGS."

"AND THE CHILDREN..."



"WE HAVE A KINGDOM NOW..."

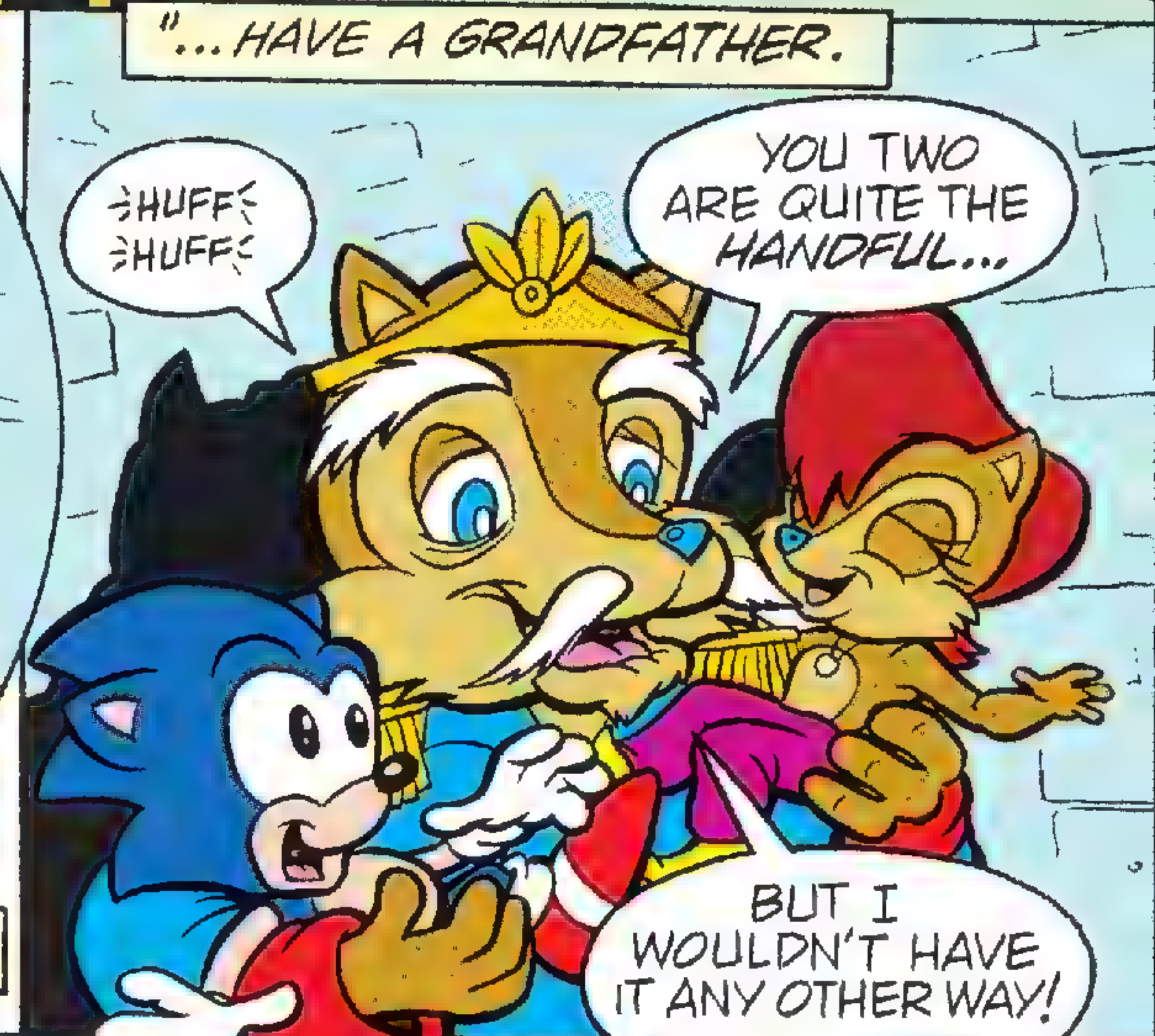
VIEEEE!

"A FAMILY..."

"...HAVE A GRANDFATHER."



HOLD UP, YOU LITTLE SCAMPS!

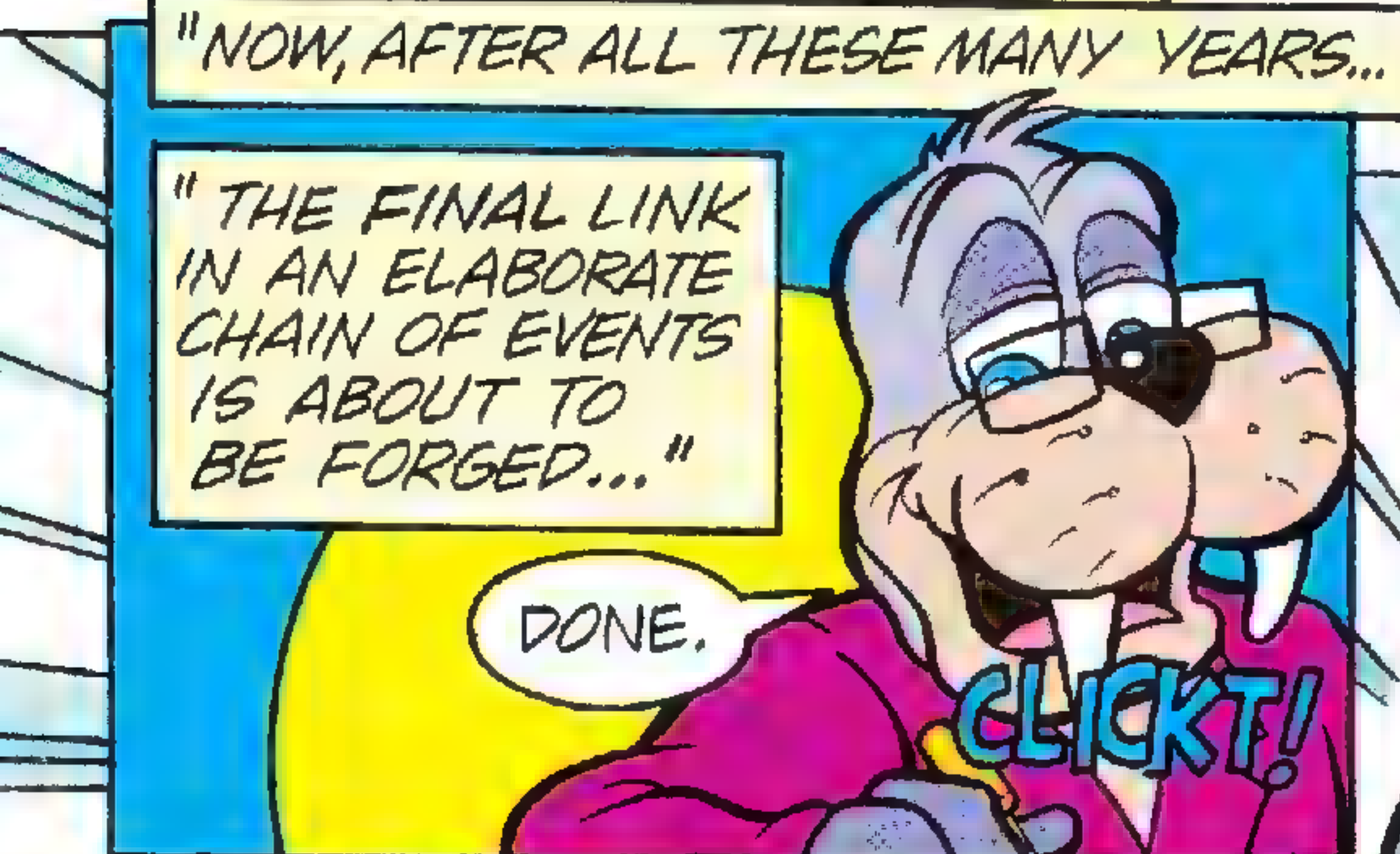


HUFF HUFF

YOU TWO ARE QUITE THE HANDFUL...

BUT I WOULDN'T HAVE IT ANY OTHER WAY!

I GIVE YOU--

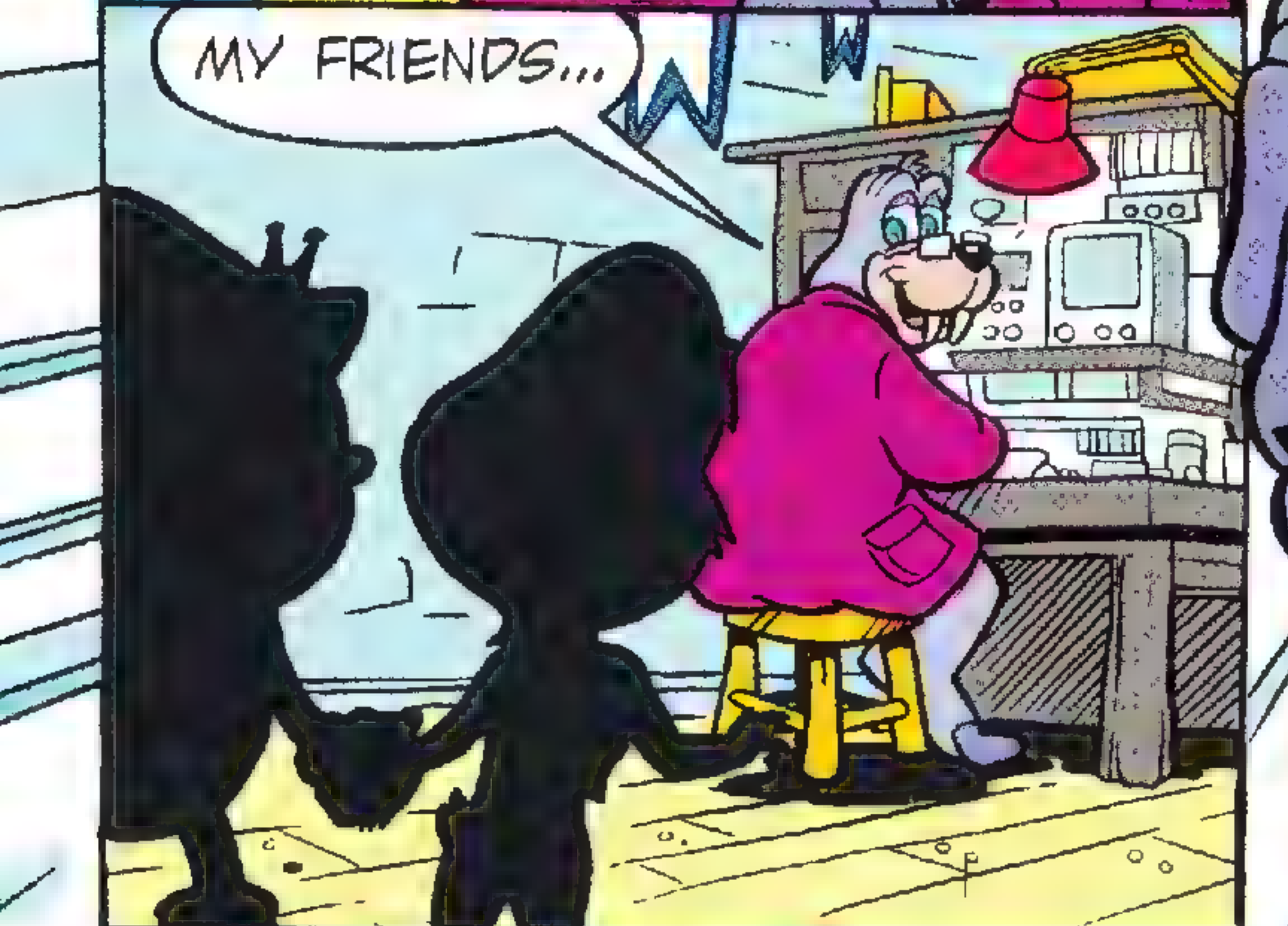


"NOW, AFTER ALL THESE MANY YEARS..."

"THE FINAL LINK IN AN ELABORATE CHAIN OF EVENTS IS ABOUT TO BE FORGED..."

DONE.

CLICK!



MY FRIENDS...



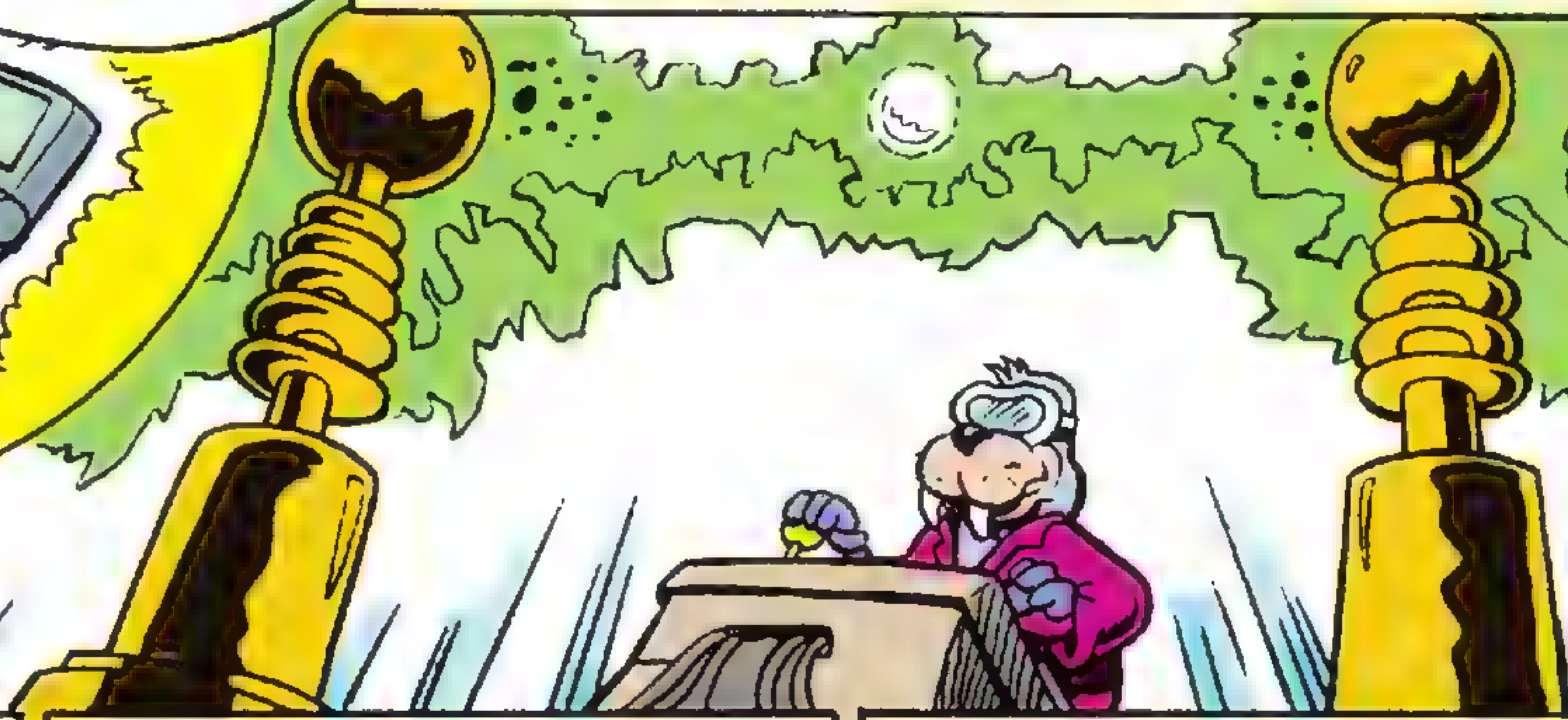
NICOLE!



HELLO...
OLD
FRIEND.

IT'S BEEN--
A LONG TIME.

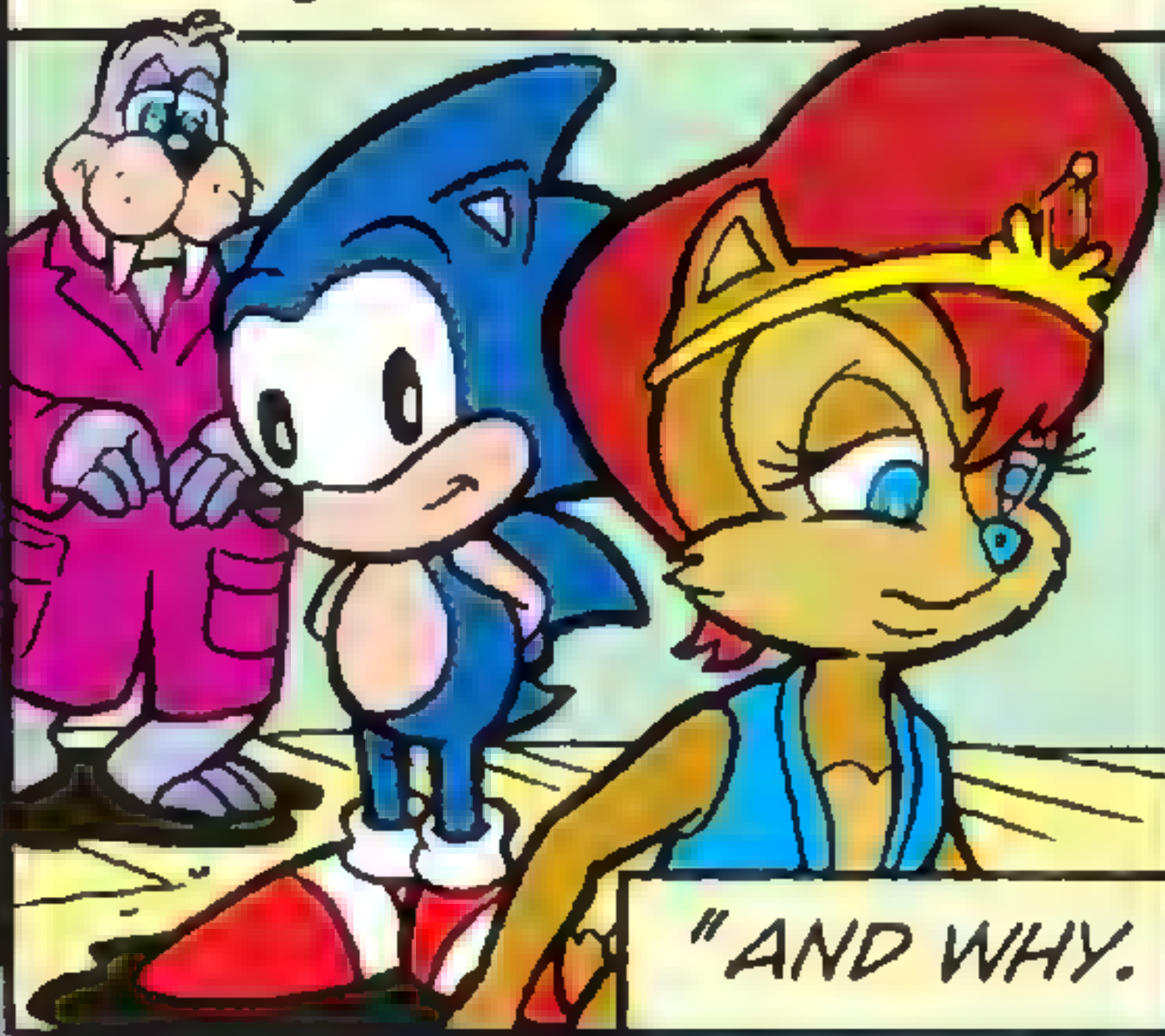
"AND IT WOULD BE LONGER STILL.
ROTOR HAD SPENT YEARS STRIVING TO
RECLAIM THE TECHNOLOGY THAT WAS
LOST WHEN NICOLE WAS DESTROYED DURING
THE DECISIVE BATTLE WITH ROBOTNIK. AND
NOW THAT WE'RE FINALLY TOGETHER AGAIN...



"...I MUST ONCE MORE
SAY GOOD-BYE.

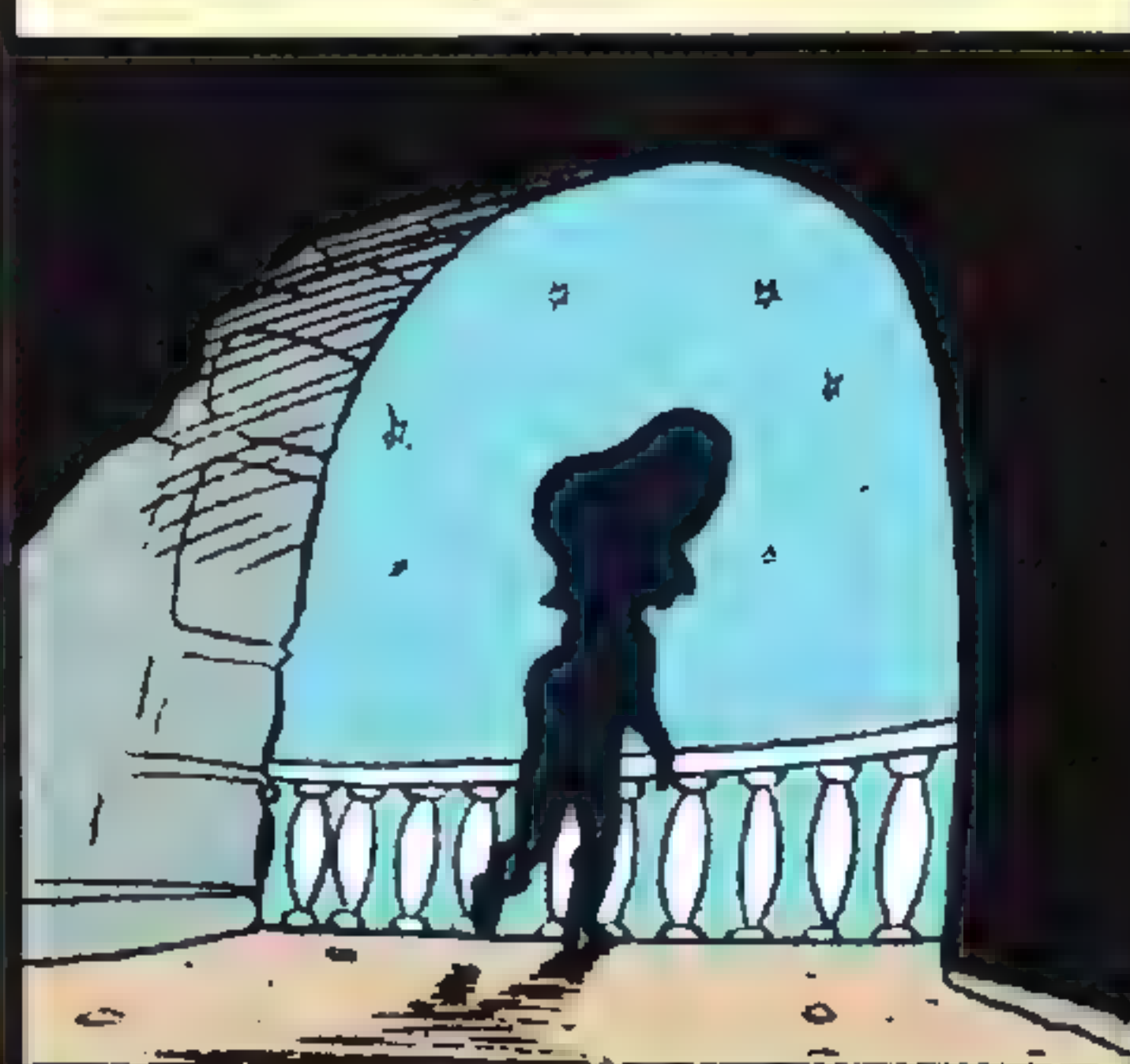


"EVER SINCE THE DIS-
COVERY OF THE TRANS-
TIME PORTAL, I KNEW
WHERE NICOLE HAD
COME FROM.



"AND WHY.

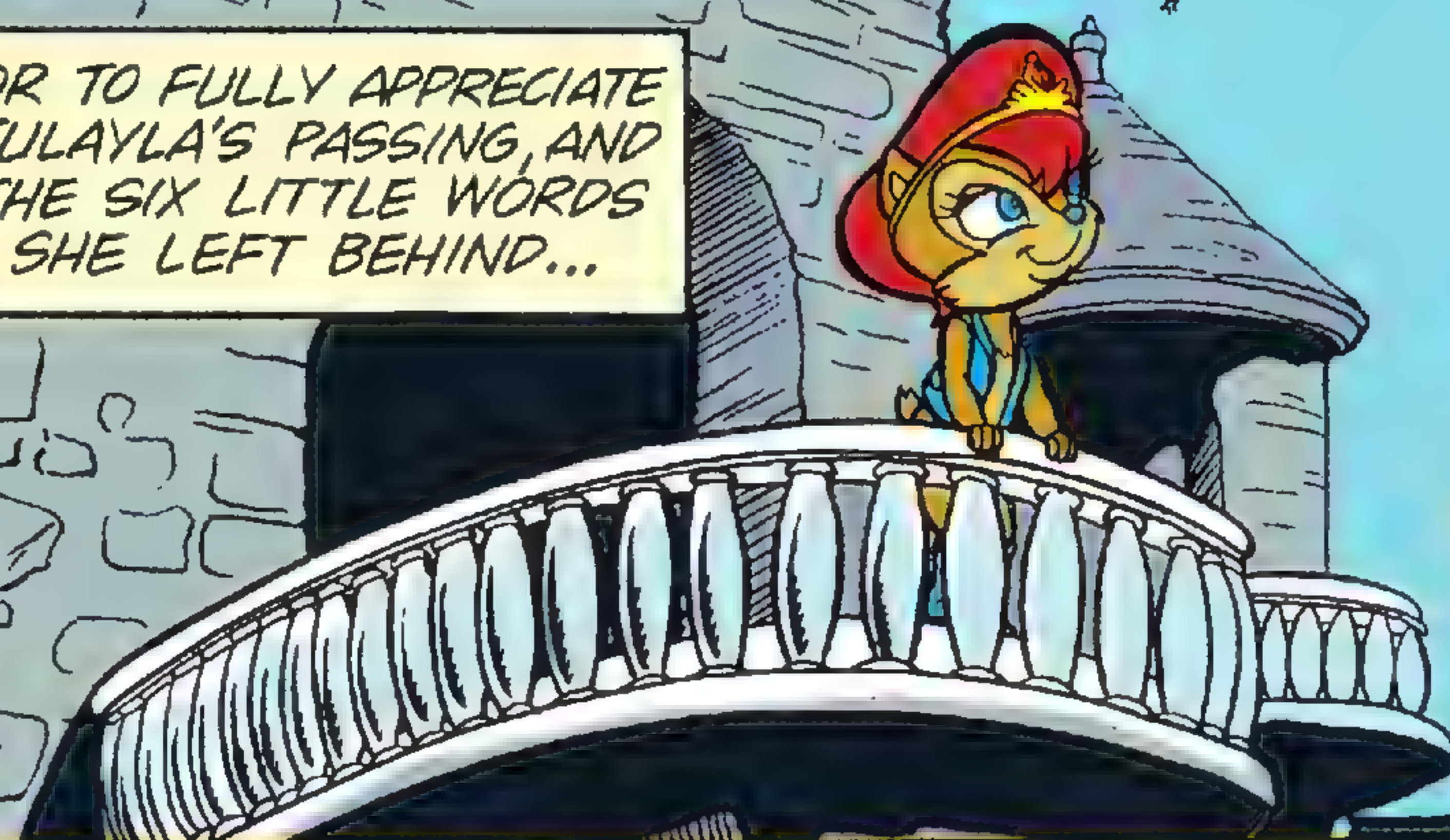
"SHE WAS A GIFT TO
MYSELF, FROM MYSELF..



"A FRIEND, WHEN I
NEEDED ONE THE MOST.

"WITHOUT HER, I MIGHT NEVER
HAVE LIVED TO SEE THIS DAY...

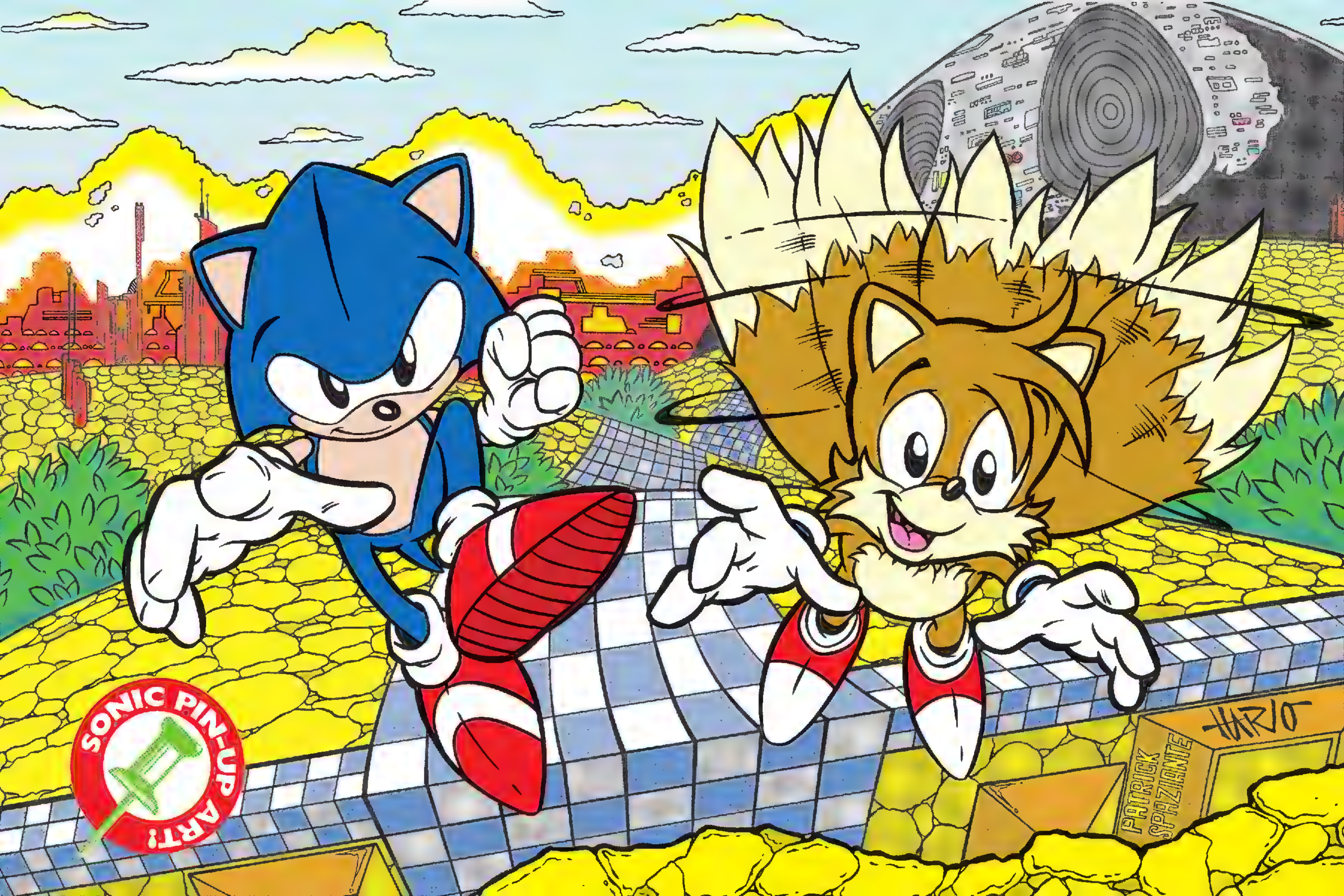
"OR TO FULLY APPRECIATE
JULAYLA'S PASSING, AND
THE SIX LITTLE WORDS
SHE LEFT BEHIND...



"TO THINE OWN
SELF BE TRUE."

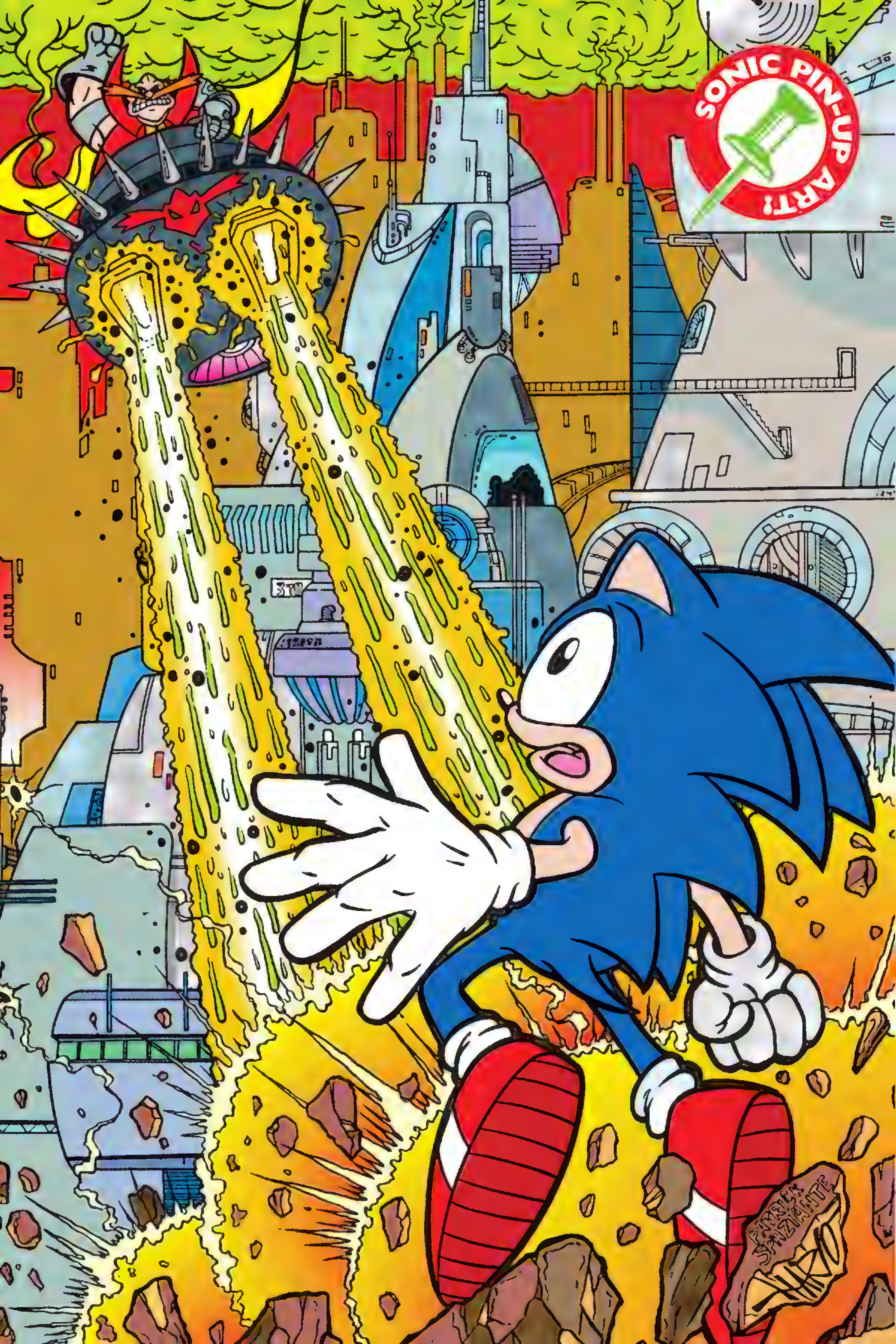


WAIT A MINUTE, SONIC FANS! IS THIS REALLY THE FUTURE OF THE FREEDOM
FIGHTERS, OR JUST ONE OF THE MANY POSSIBLE "FUTURES" OF OUR HEROES?!
KEEP READING FUTURE MONTHLY ISSUES OF SONIC THE HEDGEHOG...
YOU NEVER KNOW WHAT EXCITING ADVENTURES LAY AHEAD...!



SONIC PINUP ART!

PATRICK SPAZIANTE
HARV

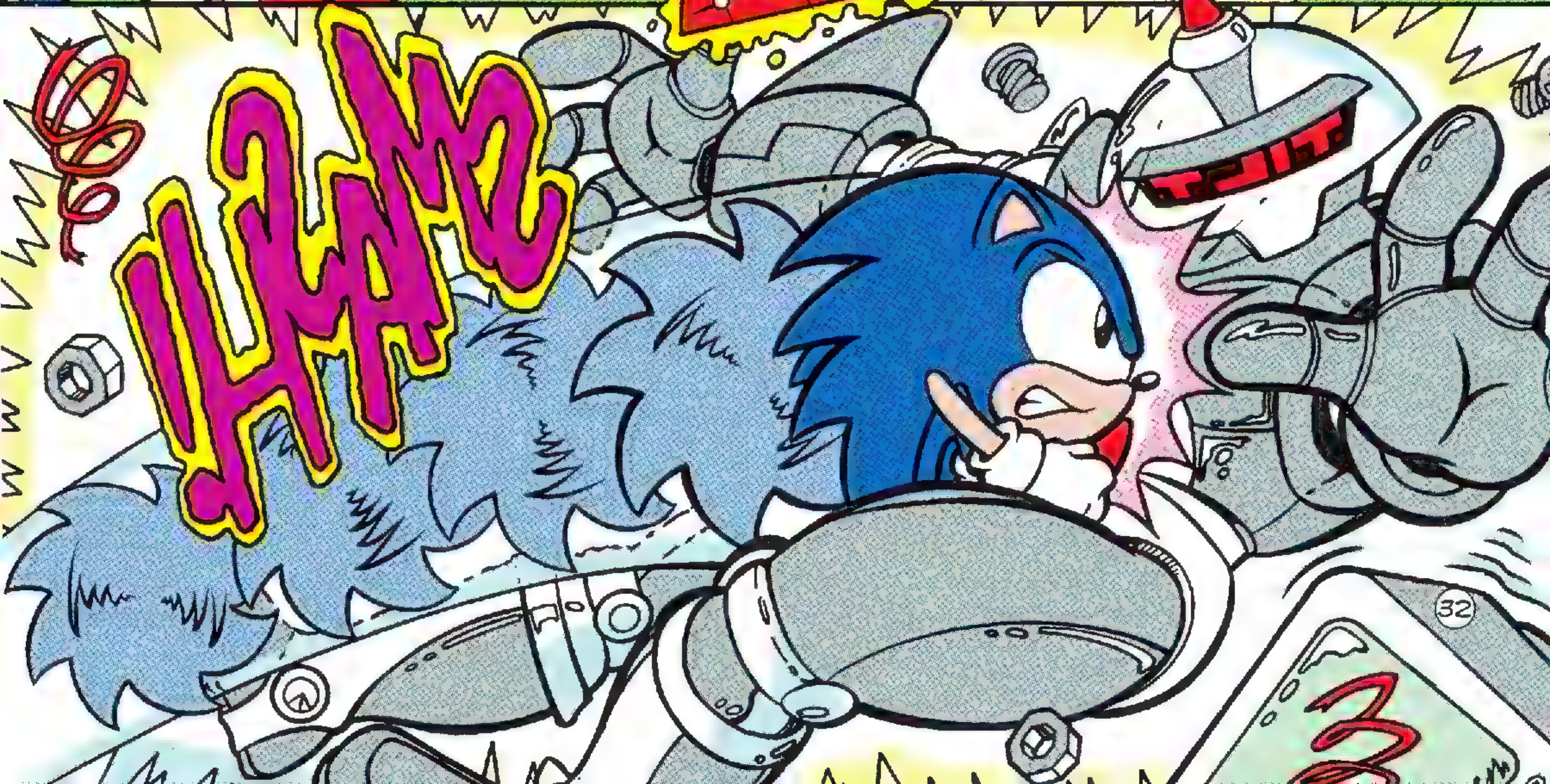
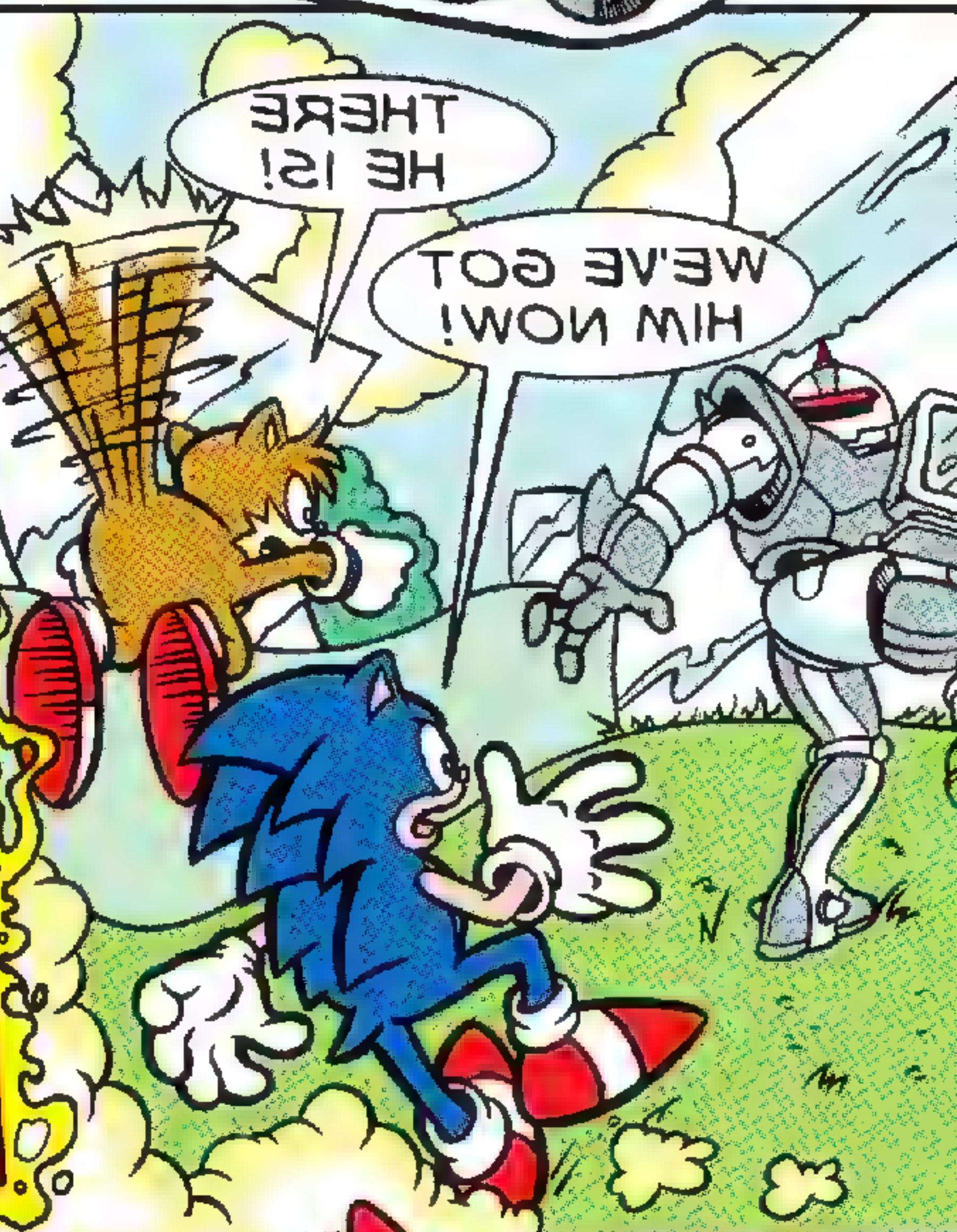


SONIC THE HEDGEHOG™

THE MIRROR ZONE

HEY, SONIC FANS! SONIC AND TAILS ARE PURSUING A SWATBOT WHO IS DELIVERING A TOP-SECRET COMPUTER MESSAGE TO DR. ROBOTNIK! ONCE OUR HEROES ENTER THE MIRROR ZONE, YOU CAN READ THEIR SCRAMBLED WORDS BY HOLDING THESE STORY PAGES UP TO A MIRROR!

HAVE FUN!





AND I'VE
GOT HIM,
TAILS!

UNIT, SONIC!
THE MESSAGE
-A- I'VE GOT

CRASH!
WAA!



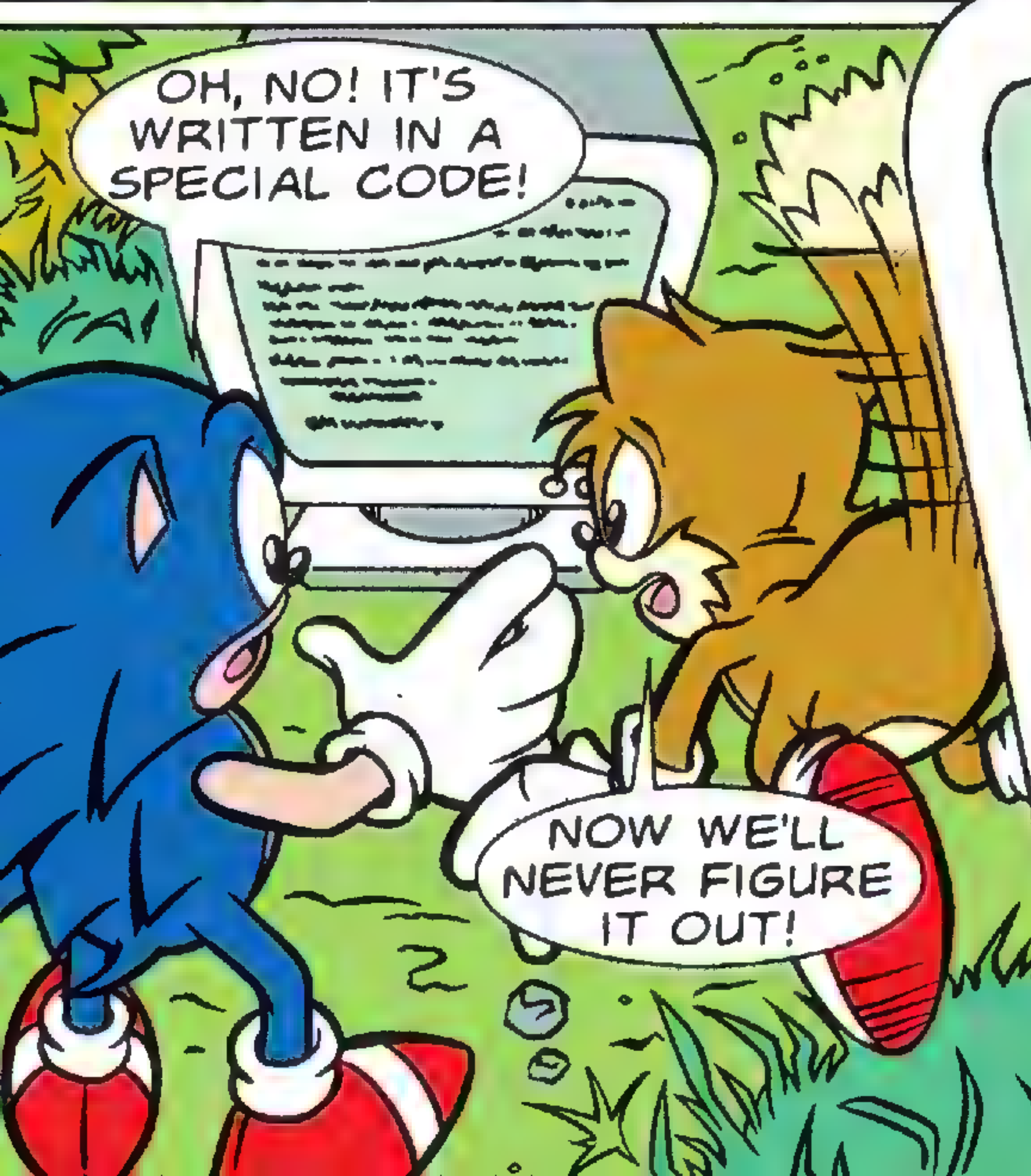
MESSAGE SAYS!
THE SECRET
LET'S SEE WHAT
HEY, SONIC,

OUTSIDE!
WE'LL READ IT
BE LOOKING FOR IT!
ROBOTNIK'S GONNA
NO TIME, TAILS!



I'VE HAD
ENOUGH OF
THIS PLACE!

HEY, KIDS YOU CAN
FIGURE THIS SECRET
MESSAGE OUT BY
PUTTING IT UP TO YOUR
MIRROR AGAIN!



OH, NO! IT'S
WRITTEN IN A
SPECIAL CODE!

NOW WE'LL
NEVER FIGURE
IT OUT!



THE NO ROOM, ROOM
TOM THE 2'OHU, JAW
MENT TO TARRY JIVE
ALLA
T238MUD THE 2'OHU ONA...
HEEDHOD OF THEM ALL!
FAST A FAST CAN BE
IEM TAREED AEUEN J'UOY
TA ANIHODU 2'38H
I3IND2, UOY
HINTOBOR OUI



PRESENTING,
IN HIS VERY FIRST
SOLO STORY...

SONIC'S PAL **TAILS**

in: "TAILS' TALLEST TALE"



HEY, NICE
LOGO!



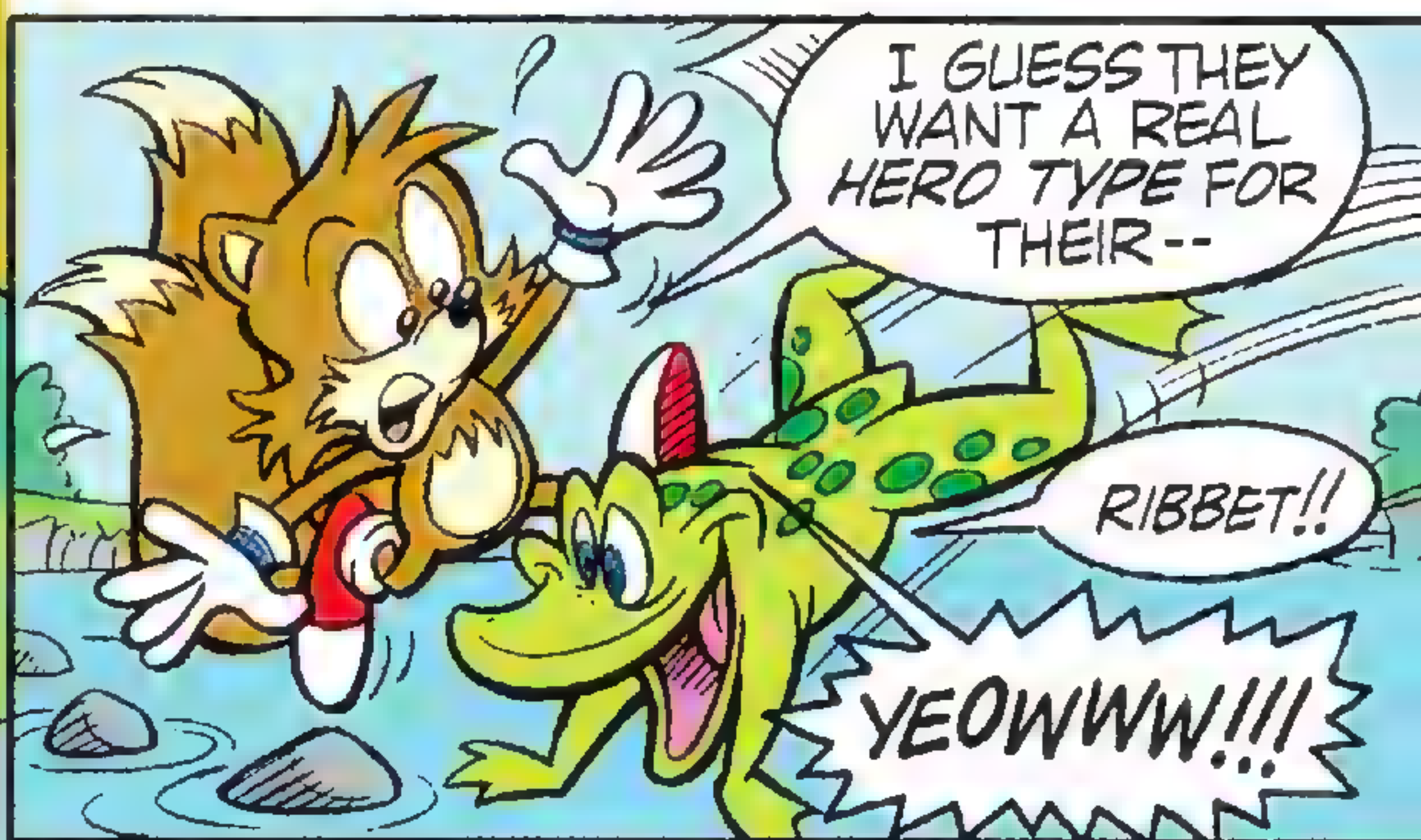
THIS PART OF THE
FOREST IS SO THICK, I CAN'T
FLY BY TAIL-POWER! NO
WONDER I'M SO LATE!

I'LL BET THIS
NEVER HAPPENS TO
SONIC!

SPEAKING OF
SONIC, BEING
HIS SIDEKICK DOES
HAVE CERTAIN
ADVANTAGES...



... LIKE
GETTING INVITED
TO BE THE
SPECIAL GUEST
OF THE LOCAL
SONIC FAN
CLUB'S BIG
CONVENTION!



I GUESS THEY
WANT A REAL
HERO TYPE FOR
THEIR--

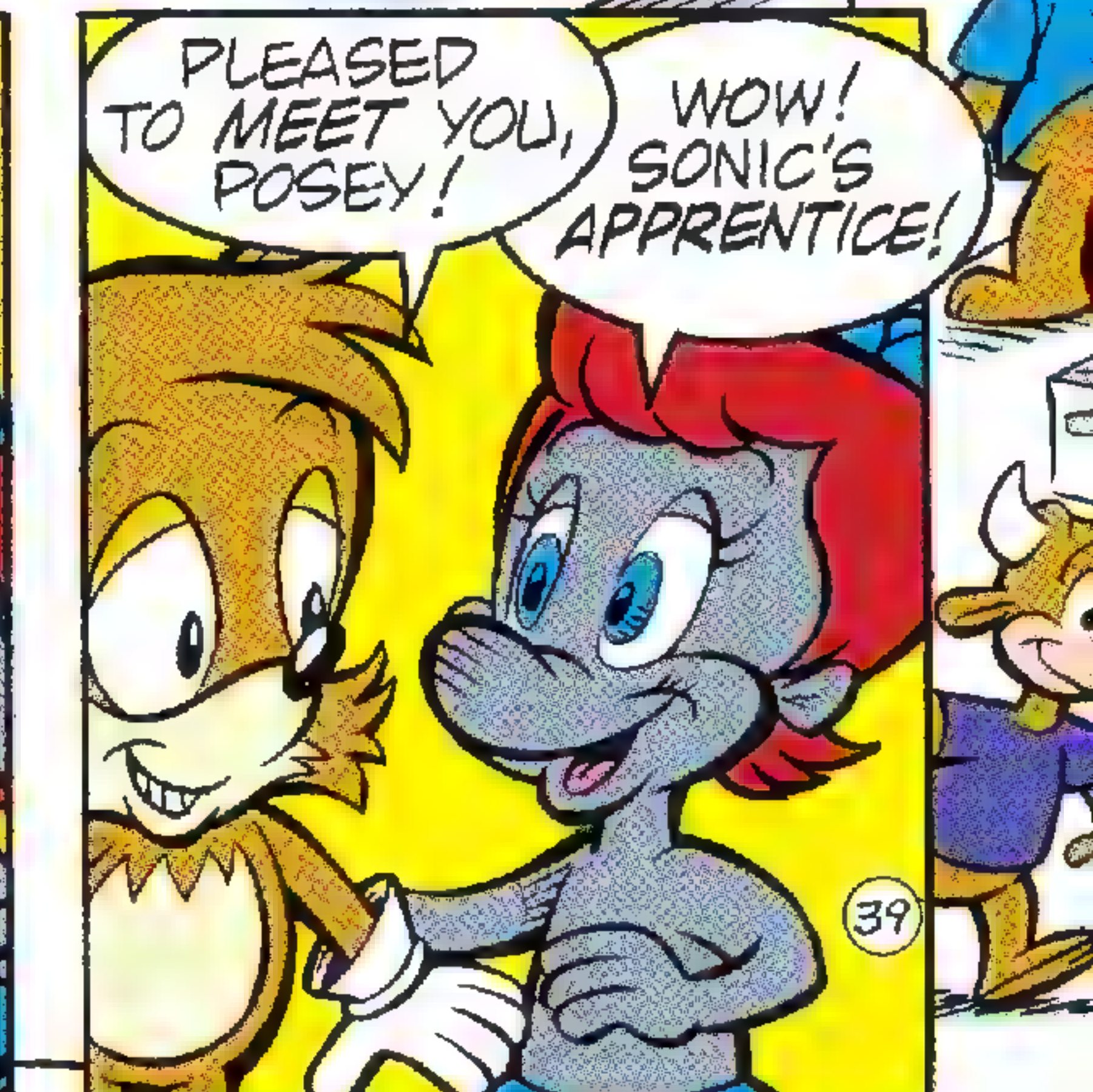
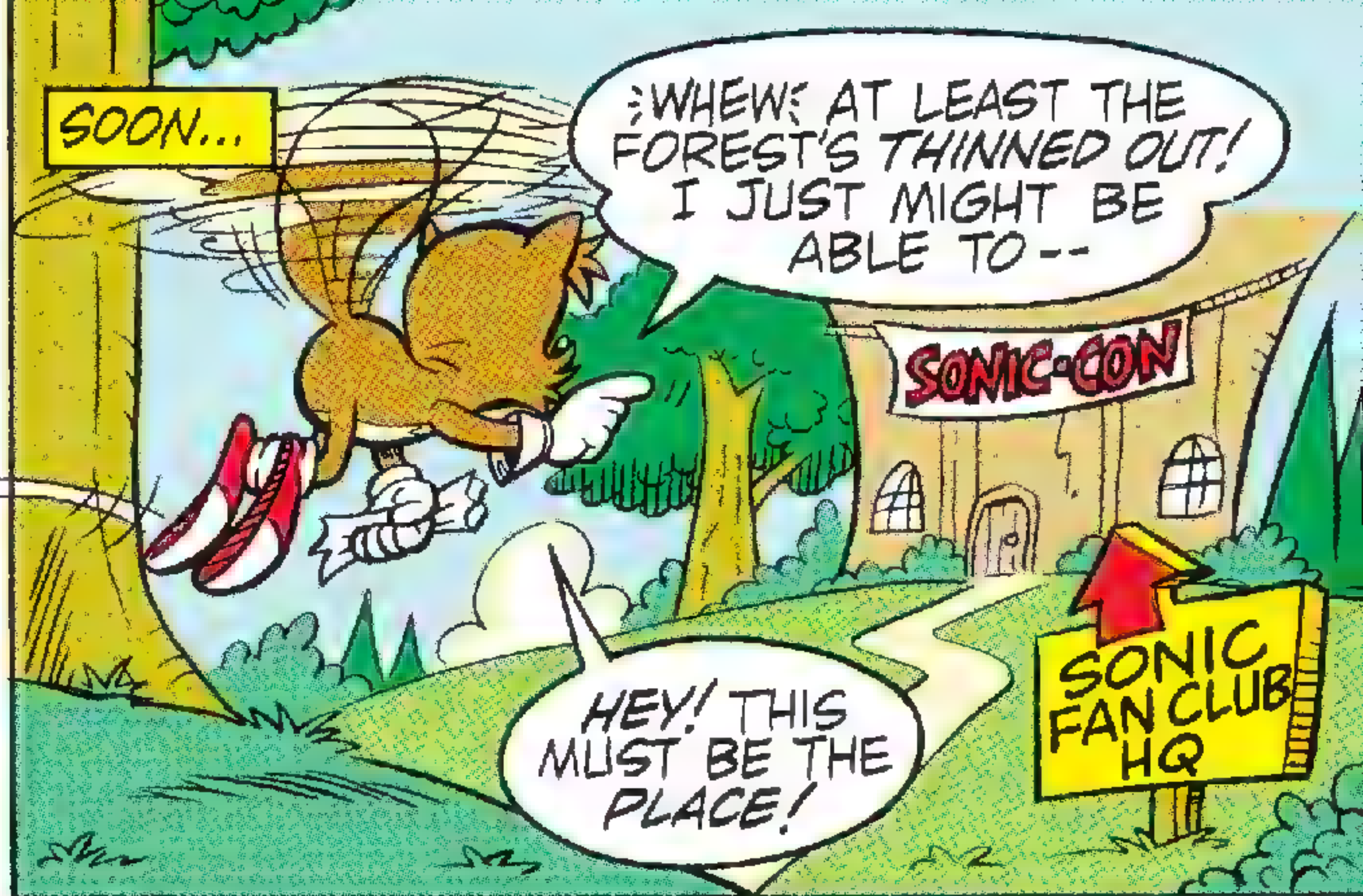
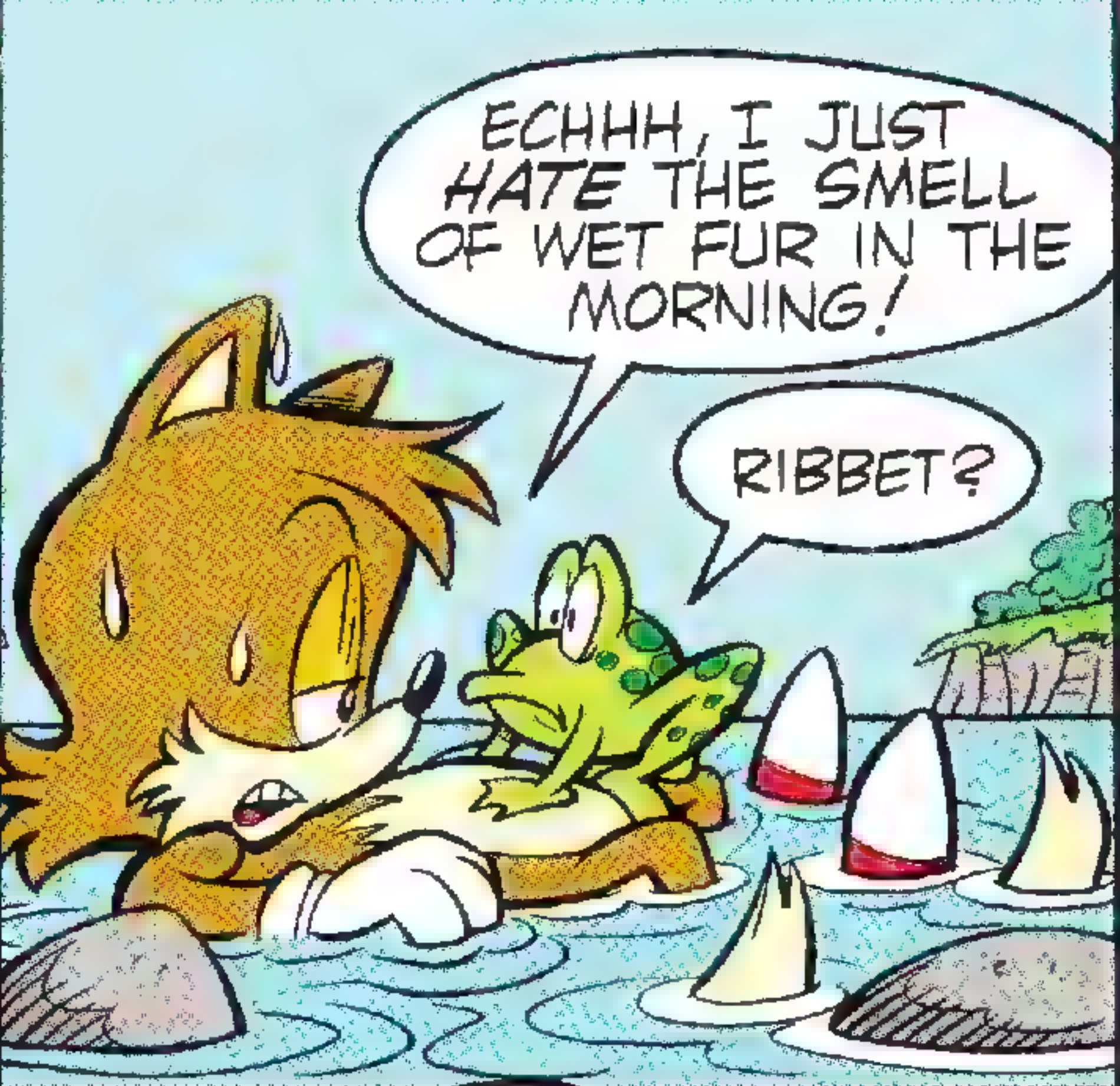
RIBBET!!

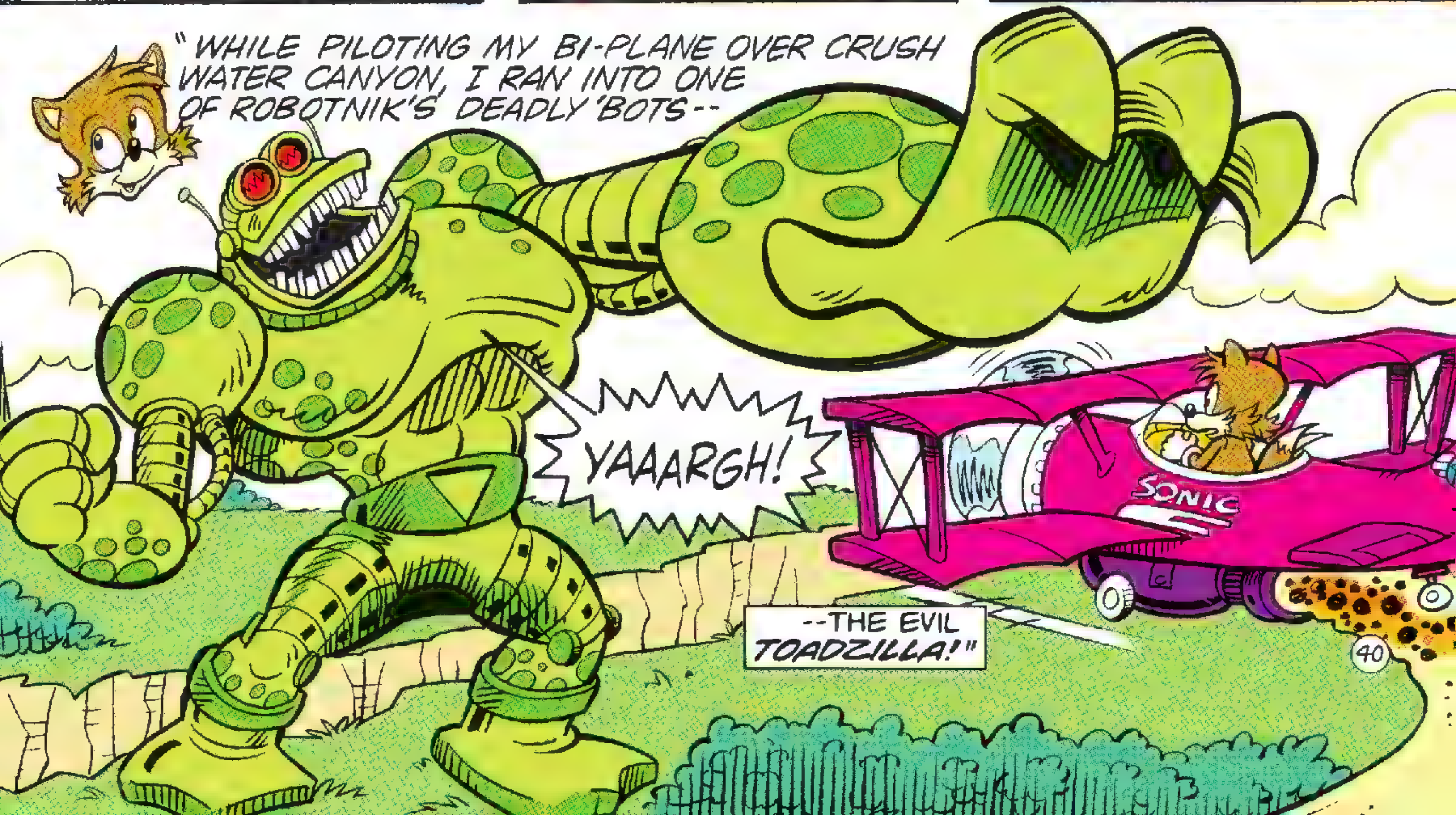
YEOWWW!!!



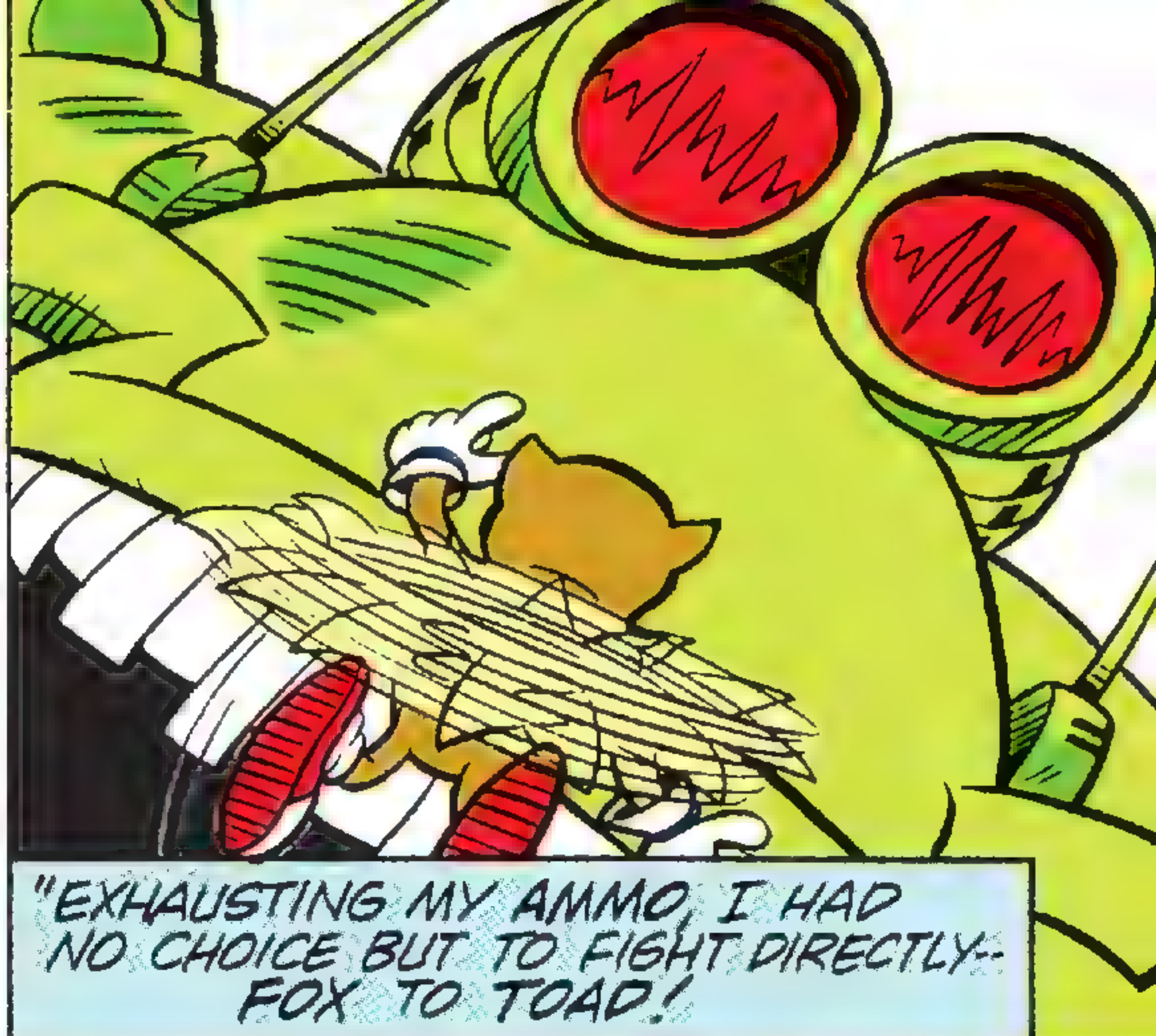
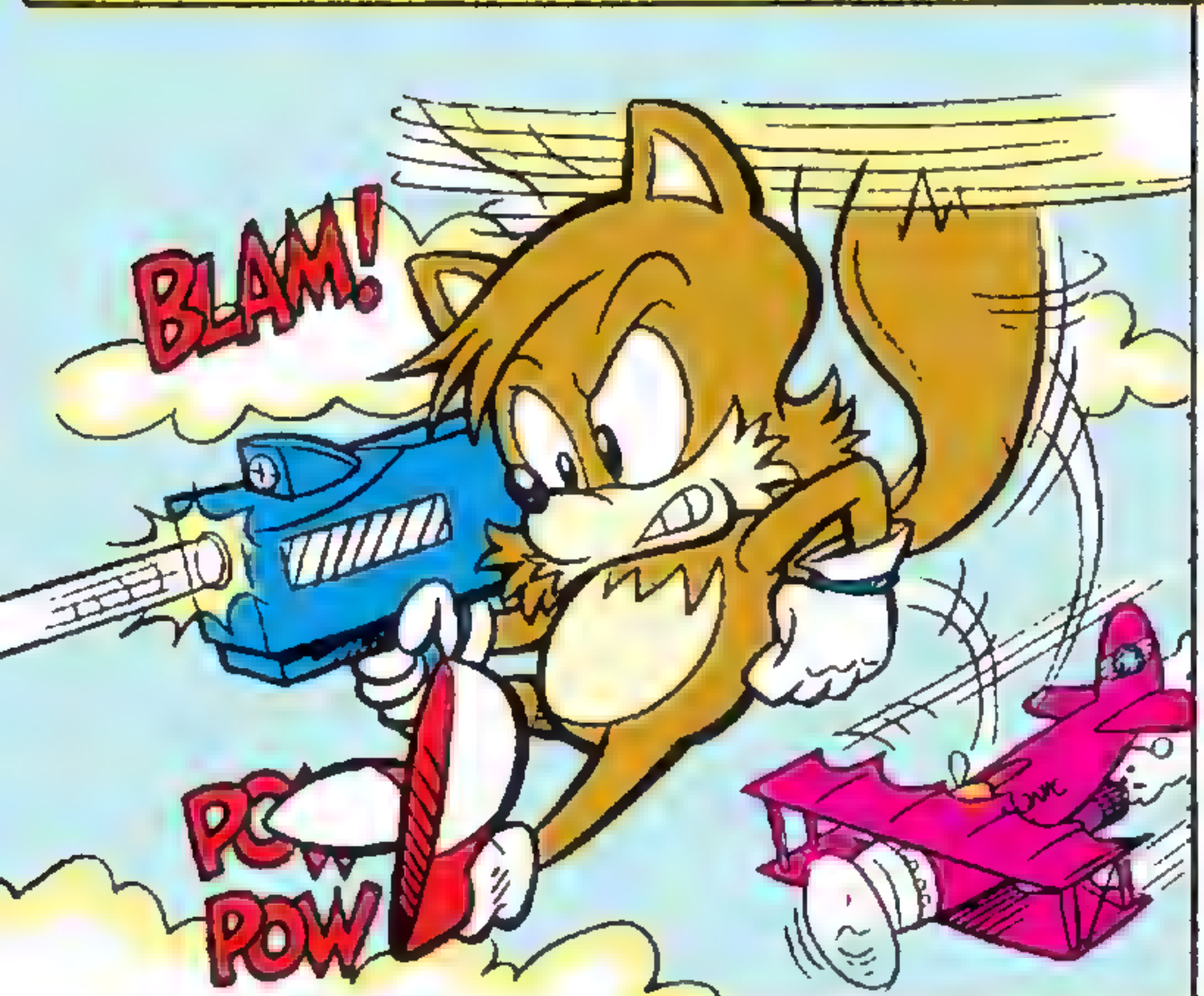
OOOOOPS!

SPLOOSH!



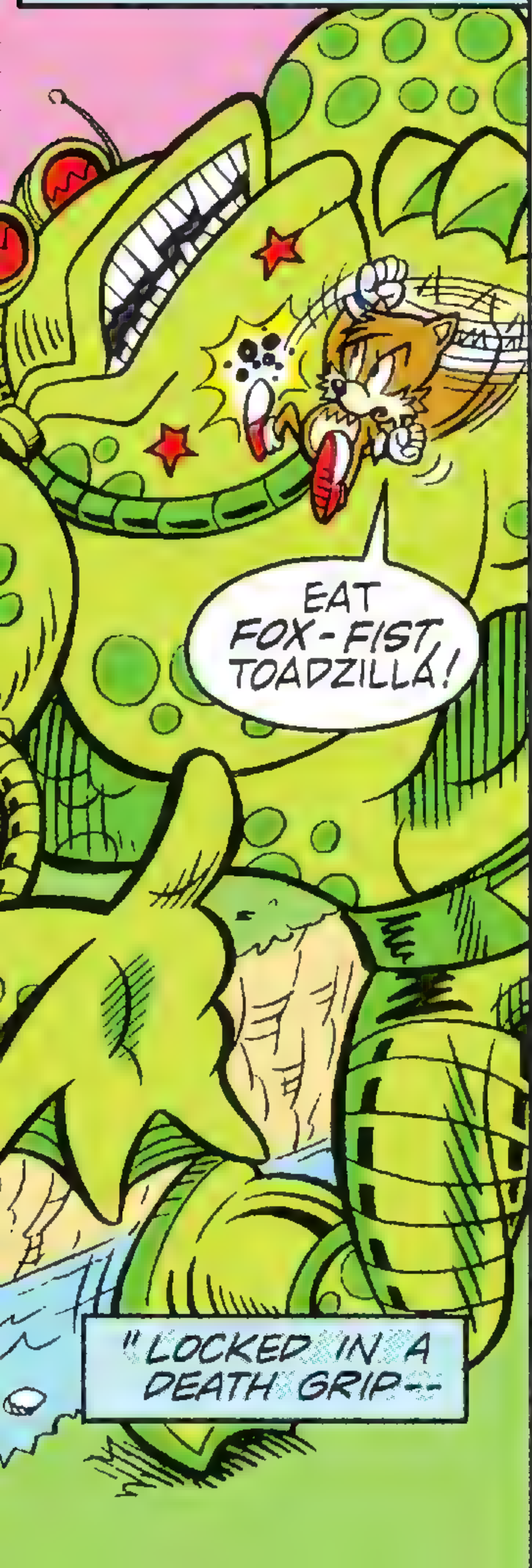


"I LEAPT FROM MY PLANE IN A LAST MINUTE EFFORT TO DEMOLISH THE GIANT!"



"EXHAUSTING MY AMMO, I HAD NO CHOICE BUT TO FIGHT DIRECTLY-- FOX TO TOAD!"

"I DEALT A MIGHTY BLOW, AND JUST THEN, THE CLIFF COLLAPSED!"



EAT
FOX-FIST,
TOADZILLA!

"LOCKED IN A DEATH GRIP--"

"--WE FELL INTO THE WATERS OF THE RIVER!"

